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		WEEK DAYS							
		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	Noon	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon...	Dep.	6.40	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	5.50	7.10
Yau Ma Tei...	Dep.	6.50	9.24	10.39	12.09	1.24	4.44	5.59	7.19
Shatin...	Dep.	7.02	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	4.56	6.11	7.31
Tai Po...	Dep.	7.18	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	5.09	6.24	7.44
Tai Po Market...	Dep.	7.31	9.53	11.08	12.38	1.53	5.13	6.28	7.48
Fanning...	Dep.	7.39	10.03	11.18	12.48	1.58	5.24	6.39	7.59
Shung Shui...	Dep.	7.58	10.27	11.42	12.53	2.07	5.38	6.53	8.03
Shum Chun...	Arr.	7.43	10.13	11.28	12.58	2.18	5.34	6.49	8.09

		SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS							
		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	Noon	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon...	Dep.	6.40	8.35	9.15	10.30	1.15	4.35	5.50	7.10
Yau Ma Tei...	Dep.	6.50	—	9.24	10.39	1.24	4.44	5.59	7.19
Shatin...	Dep.	7.02	—	9.36	10.51	1.36	4.56	6.11	7.31
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Shung Shui...	Dep.	7.58	—	10.27	11.42	2.07	5.38	6.53	8.03
Shum Chun...	Arr.	7.43	—	10.13	11.28	2.18	5.34	6.49	8.09

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		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	Noon	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Shum Chun...	Dep.	8.12	10.38	11.40	3.00	4.17	5.13	6.08	7.10
Shung Shui...	Dep.	8.19	10.45	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.20	6.15	7.17
Fanning...	Dep.	8.23	10.49	11.51	3.11	4.28	5.24	6.19	7.21
Tai Po Market...	Dep.	8.33	10.59	12.02	3.21	4.38	5.34	6.29	7.31
Tai Po...	Dep.	8.37	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	5.38	6.33	7.35
Shatin...	Dep.	8.51	11.17	12.21	3.38	4.55	5.51	6.46	7.48
Yau Ma Tei...	Dep.	8.59	11.29	12.33	3.50	5.06	6.03	6.58	7.59
Kowloon...	Arr.	9.11	11.37	12.41	3.58	5.16	6.11	7.06	8.08

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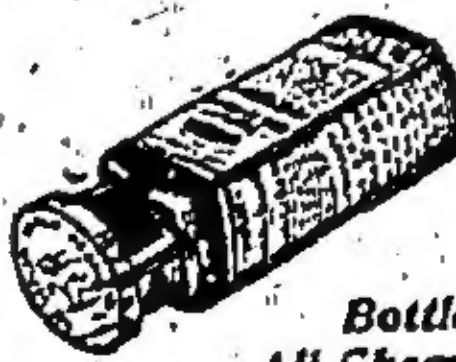


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Visitors to the Hongkong F.C. ground on Saturday were well entertained, for the shield finals gave four hours' football. Before the Senior game started, all seating accommodation was occupied in the covered stand, late comers taking up their positions at the entrances. Considering the recent heavy rains, the ground was in good condition, and the spectators settled down to watch a good game which was fast and well contested to the last kick. The players were in good fettle although the going was on the heavy side, and there was not a dull moment throughout the two hours' play.

EAST SURREYS RESERVES v. CLUB DE RECREIO RESERVES.

In the junior final, the better trained team won. The Recreio attack could not settle down against a well trained half-back line and the Portuguese went down by eleven goals to three.

The East Surreys took the lead after two minutes' play, Robinson sending the ball into the net. This did not dishearten the Recreio players for they forced a corner and during the scramble that followed the ball passed over Anderson's head into the net.

The Surreys forwards then made several raids on the Recreio's goal but Silva kept his charge fairly well. A shot from Garland hit the bar and rebounded to play. Botelho tested Anderson with a long shot and the next minute just missed the post with a fast cross shot. Stairs turned the ball into the net from a well placed flag kick by Peskett and gave the Surreys the lead. Stairs scored again a minute later. Several corners fell to the Surreys but the nearest they got to scoring was a shot from Robinson that struck the bar. Robinson got through and beat Silva from close range, making the score four to one in favour of the Surreys which they maintained until the interval. Robinson failed to convert in the first half from a penalty awarded against Assumpcao.

Pereira scored for the Recreio soon after resuming, but thereafter it was a procession from the Recreio goal to the centre spot, although the Recreio managed to add to their score from a penalty awarded against Squires, Mareal netting from the spot kick.

Robinson scored the fifth goal for the Surreys and Balam the sixth. Three more goals were scored by the Surreys before the Recreio notched their third point from the penalty mentioned above. Before the final whistle sounded, Stairs netted twice and the Surreys won the Shield for the second year in succession, the margin being 11 goals to 3 in their favour.

EAST SURREYS v. KOWLOON (HOLDERS).

Both teams had a good reception when they took the field. Charlesworth beat McKelvie in the spin of the coin and Simms kicked off for Kowloon who were defending the town end goal.

Jordan was early prominent, clearing from a combined movement by Spary and Simms. Hands against Bristowe sent Kowloon in but Cooper got the ball away. A shot from Simms was well directed but Bristowe cleared. The Surreys left half was inclined to wander and left Taylor unguarded, but the Kowloon winger failed to get his centres in front of goal. Douglas was the first goalkeeper called upon to defend, Simms sending in a fast shot. Humberstone was a marked man from the kick off and seldom got a chance to test Avery. Kowloon forwards were well plied with passes but shooting was erratic. Read was prominent in clearing from centres by Charlesworth. Taylor sent behind from passes from Simms and Spary. Bristowe cleared from a free kick and Charlesworth sent over a well timed centre which Wheeler headed out.

The Surreys came again and a centre from Mackleworth was met by Humberstone who headed over the bar. Jordan cleared from Duncan and the Surreys returning, Turner cleared from a centre by Charlesworth.

The ground in places was heavy but the going was fast, the ball travelling from end to end with lightning rapidity.

Simms was wide with a shot after receiving from Spary and Charlesworth got the better of Read, but his cross went begging owing to the left wing being out of position. Wheeler cleared from Mackleworth and Read stopped a pass from Cheeseman close in. Avery cleared from a long shot by Charlesworth and a free kick against the Surreys relieved. Read headed out from near the goal line and Mitchell sent Charlesworth down the wing. Caville cleared the centre. Another cross by Charlesworth should have been turned to account but Butler failed near the post. Read cleared a centre from Mackleworth with Humberstone in a good position. Avery was called upon to clear from a shot by Mackleworth. A free kick for hands against Cheeseman was cleared by Cooper. Wheeler turned behind a shot from Humberstone and Butler was wide from the resulting corner kick. Douglas saved a dropping shot from McKelvie with Simms in close attendance. McGreavy sent over the top from long range. Butler received close in but harassed by Wheeler lifted the ball over the bar. Hayes had a clear run down the field and Cooper failed to reach him before he centred, but Jordan cleared. McGreavy hereabout was limping badly and changed positions with Mitchell.

The latter gave Butler a good opening but again Butler sent over when well placed. Following a free kick against McGreavy for a foul throw, McKelvie sent the ball in the goalmouth and Cooper sent straight up. Douglas cleared when the ball dropped.

At the interval the score sheet was blank.

Duncan assumed the outside position for Kowloon on the resumption of play. Hayes got well in before testing Douglas but the goalie cleared. Cooper cleared a free kick and sent Butler away; the latter swinging out to the left, Mackleworth sent behind. Kowloon took the lead early in the second half when Douglas failed to clear a shot from Hayes and McKelvie sent in the ball coming back from Douglas to Duncan who returned it into the net.

The Surreys got away from the centre and Read pulled the ball down to stop Charlesworth. The spot was dangerously near the penalty line, Butler headed wide from the free kick.

The game was so keenly contested that the majority of the spectators thought that the game was all over except the shouting, but the Surreys stuck to their guns and had hard luck on several occasions. Douglas almost gave away another goal in attempting to clear from a dropping shot by Hayes, but Simms sent behind.

Humberstone sent in a drive and the ball cleared the bar while McGreavy was wide with a long shot. Jordan and Bristowe conceded corners but the Surreys got the ball away. A drop down near the goal line was cleared by Kowloon and Mitchell sent over the bar. Wheeler beat Humberstone and sent forward to Simms but Cooper cleared. The Surreys levelled up following a corner kick conceded by Wheeler. Mackleworth placed well and during the scramble in the goalmouth, Mitchell netted, making the score one all. With ten minutes to go both teams struggled hard for the lead and Butler looked a certain scorer when he handled close in. Douglas saved from a shot by Taylor with Simms close in and Caville turned a shot from Charlesworth behind for a corner. Cooper cleared from Taylor just as the whistle sounded for time with the score one all.

EXTRA TIME.

The teams lined up for extra time. The Surreys were the first to attack and Avery saved from Butler. Humberstone sent in wide from a pass by Charlesworth. Cooper almost let his side down by pulling the ball down near the penalty area. From a pass by McKelvie, Simms sent in and the ball hit the upright. The ball came back to Simms who handled well inside the goal area. The teams crossed over and the second portion went in favour of the Surreys. Humberstone sent in a fast drive which Avery cleared and the Surrey player later sent in a high shot which Avery fisted out and the ball coming back to Humberstone, that player returned wide. Humberstone and Mitchell sent against the upright and Butler sent in a high shot which Avery tipped over the bar. Charlesworth sent behind from the flag kick. Final score, Kowloon, 1; E. Surreys, 1. The replay has been fixed for Wednesday on the H.K.F.C. ground. Kick off 4.30 p.m.

The teams:
East Surreys—Douglas; Cooper and Jordan; Mitchell, McGreavy and Bristowe; Charlesworth, Cheeseman, Humberstone, Butler and Mackleworth.
Kowloon—Avery; Wheeler and Read; Turner, Caville and McKelvie; Taylor, Spary, Simms, G. Duncan and Hayes.
Referee: Mr. Atkinson. Linesmen: Messrs. Smith and Morfett.

SOUTH CHINA "C." v. UNIVERSITY.

The University closed their league season on Saturday in their match with South China "C." They failed to reach the score by the Moslem Club and finished third in the league. South China "C." just managed to equal the points made by the Moslem Club but with further games to play should ultimately be the winners. The game ended in a draw of two goals all.

S. P. Lee and B. K. Jap scored for the University and Ng Tak Wing and Lau Mau for the South China "C."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

FOOTBALL AT HOME.

RESULTS OF SATURDAY'S LEAGUE MATCHES.

LONDON, April 17th.
The following English and Scottish League matches were played on Saturday:

THE LEAGUE: DIVISION I.
Arsenal, 3; Huddersfield T., 1.
Aston Villa, 3; Tottenham H., 0.
Bolton W., 2; Sheffield U., 1.
Burnley, 2; Bury, 2.
Leeds U., 0; Birmingham, 2.
Leicester C., 2; Manchester C., 3.
Liverpool, 2; Blackburn R., 2.
Newcastle U., 3; West Bromwich A., 0.
Notts C., 2; Cardiff C., 4.
West Ham U., 1; Everton, 0.

THE LEAGUE: DIVISION II.
Fulham, 1; Blackpool, 1.
Middlesbrough, 1; Derby County, 2.
Oldham A., 3; Hull City, 1.
Portsmouth, 3; Bradford C., 1.
Preston N.E., 2; Nottingham F., 0.
Wednesday, 3; Clapton U., 0.
Stockport U., 2; Darlington, 3.
Stoke C., 1; Chelsea, 3.
Swansea T., 3; Barnsley, 0.
Wolverhampton W., 3; Port Vale, 1.

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTHERN).
Bournemouth and B.A., 3; Abertawe, 0.
Bristol R., 2; Southend, 0.
Charlton A., 1; Brighton and H.A., 1.
Exeter C., 3; Millwall, 1.
Gillingham, 0; Watford, 1.
Luton T., 4; Bristol C., 1.
Merthyr T., 6; Brentford, 0.
Newport C., 2; Crystal P., 3.
Queens Pk., 0; Plymouth A., 4.
Reading, 4; Northampton, 2.
Swindon T., 3; Norwich C., 1.

THIRD DIVISION (NORTHERN).
Accrington-S., 4; Wigan B., 0.
Bradford, 3; Coventry C., 0.
Chesterfield, 3; Wrexham, 1.
Durham City, 0; N. Brighton, 0.
Grimsby T., 3; Nelson, 0.
Hartlepool C., 0; Crewe A., 0.
Rochdale, 0; Lincoln C., 1.
Rotherham U., 2; Barrow, 1.
Tranmere R., 1; Southport, 0.
Walsall, 2; Doncaster R., 1.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Aberdeen, 1; Raith Rovers, 1.
Airdrieonians, 3; Kilmarnock, 2.
Clydebank, 1; Hearts, 5.
Cowdenbush, 3; Partick T., 1.
Dundee U., 0; St. Johnstone, 4.
Falkirk, 1; Hibernians, 1.
Hamilton A., 1; Celtic, 3.
Queen's Park, 3; Morton, 1.

ASSOCIATION AMATEUR CUP FINAL.

At Sunderland, in the Football Association Amateur Cup final, the Northern Nomads beat Stockton by seven goals to one.

INTERNATIONAL MATCH.

SCOTLAND DEFEAT ENGLAND AT MANCHESTER.

LONDON, April 17th.
Fifty thousand spectators at Manchester to-day, saw Scotland defeat England by one goal to nil. The weather was sunny, but the ground was soft.

After a wet morning, there was a stiff breeze for the first international match at Manchester for 40 years. England kicked off against the wind on a sudden pitch, and many passes went astray. England showed little attacking skill, while their defence crowded on each other and left the opposing wingers fairly free. Seven minutes before the interval Jackson scored, the ball striking the edge of the post and glancing into the opposite corner. Half-time: Scotland, 1; England, 0.

After the resumption England improved in attack, and one brilliant right-wing raid led to a series of thrills, but Scotland remained steady. Mad shooting and a difficult rally ended in Puddlefoot's low shot glancing a foot outside the goal. Play continued to be of the evenest, the constant changes in the game keeping the football interesting. Final: Scotland, 1; England, 0.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HOME TENNIS.

RESULTS OF BRITISH HARCOURTS CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS.

TORONTO, April 17th.
In the British Harcourts Championship final, Brugnott beat the 19-year-old Cambridge freshman, H. W. Austin, who was regarded as England's new hope, 7-5, 4-6, 3-6, 6-8, 6-3.
Miss Joan Fry beat Mrs. Watson, 6-1, 7-9, 6-1.

PROFESSIONAL GOLF.

MITCHELL DEFEATS DUNCAN IN FINAL.

ROCHESTER, April 16th.
In the final of the Professional Tournament, over eighteen holes, Abe Mitchell beat George Duncan by 3 and 2. The majority of notable professionals competed.
Mitchell was brilliant and always the potential winner. He went out in nine fours. Duncan, nevertheless was good, and had played typical fireworks, beating the West Lancs. Professional, Robertson, by 3 and 4 in the semi-final, in which Mitchell, by beating W. Smith (Hedley Woods) 4 and 3 was not so spectacular. But the superb form of both in the final augurs well for the British hopes this season.

MITCHELL'S WIN OVER RAY.

OXFORD, April 17th.
Mitchell, in a magical golf challenge match over 36 holes, beat Ray by 7 and 3 and had the first round in seventy, which is eight under-bogey.

EMPIRE BILLIARDS.

SCOTLAND DEFEATS SOUTH AFRICA.

LONDON, April 17th.
At Thurston's, London, in the Empire Billiards Championship, Malcolm Smith (Scotland) 2,000, beat Rutledge (South Africa) 1,801.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

AMERICAN BASEBALL.

THE WEEK'S LEAGUE RESULTS.

New York, April 17th.
Baseball results on Tuesday in the National League were:—

Brooklyn, 3; New York, 0.
Philadelphia, 6; Boston, 2.
St. Louis, 7; Pittsburgh, 6.
Cincinnati, 7; Chicago, 0.

Results for the same day in the American League were:—
New York, 12; Boston, 11.
Washington, 1; Philadelphia, 0.
Cleveland, 2; Detroit, 1.
Chicago, 6; St. Louis, 1.

Results on Wednesday in the National League were:—
New York, 6; Brooklyn, 5.
Philadelphia, 10; Boston, 1.
Chicago, 9; Cincinnati, 2.
Pittsburgh, 10; St. Louis, 3.

Results on the same day in the American League were:—
Boston, 8; New York, 7.
Washington, 3; Philadelphia, 1.

Results on Thursday in the National League were:—
Philadelphia, 8; Boston, 4.
St. Louis, 2; Pittsburgh, 0.

Results on the same day in the American League were:—
Philadelphia, 9; Washington, 3.
Chicago, 11; St. Louis, 4.

Results on Friday in the National League were:—
New York, 3; Brooklyn, 2.
Boston, 6; Philadelphia, 5.

Results on the same day in the American League were:—
St. Louis, 2; Pittsburgh, 2.
Cincinnati, 2; Chicago, 1.

Results on the same day in the American League were:—
New York, 3; Boston, 2.
Washington, 4; Philadelphia, 3.
Detroit, 5; Cleveland, 3.
Chicago, 6; St. Louis, 1.

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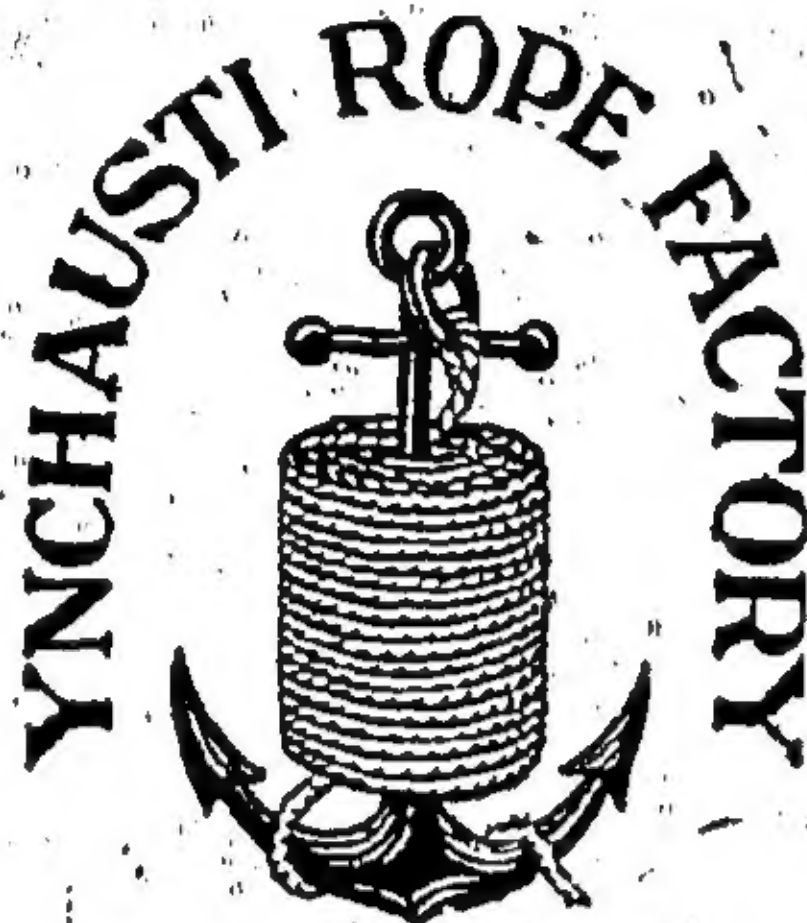
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[TO THE EDITOR, OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—I would like to offer through the medium of the *Hongkong Daily Press* my advice to shareholders in the Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd., not to sell their shares during the present crisis in the affairs of the Company. It would appear from reports of transactions in these shares, announced in the share market lists, that some of the shareholders have been the victims of panic, and have realised at any price obtainable. I would strongly advise holders of shares to await the result of the investigation now being carried on instead of sacrificing their shares at present quotations.

Notwithstanding severe losses, we still possess extremely valuable assets in Godown property and when the Committee of Investigation places before us a full statement of the Company's actual position, that is, actual values of assets as well as liabilities we shall be able then to form a clearer and better idea of the position.

The points of greatest interest to us shareholders in Mr. Weall's statement at the Extraordinary Meeting held on the 8th inst. were:—

1st.—That an investigation into the affairs of the Company is proceeding and is to be as full and complete as possible. Let us all see to it that there be no unnecessary delay in completing this investigation.

2nd.—A drastic readjustment of the issued capital or possibly reorganisation of the Company is probable.

I, for my part, am quite agreeable to have my shares decreased either in number or value to any degree considered necessary to place the Company on a sound basis, but to this I say again let it be done as speedily as possible so that we know as soon as possible how we stand. Yours respectfully,

SHAREHOLDER.

Hongkong, April 17th, 1926.

RUBBER PROSPECTS.

MR. ERIC MACFADYEN ON YEAR'S OUTLOOK.

Interviewed before his departure from Kuala Lumpur for England, Mr. Eric Macfadyen, who has been making an extensive tour in the Dutch Indies and Malaya, made some very interesting observations on the prospects of the rubber industry. He said:—

Stocks of rubber no doubt increased during 1925 though not, I believe, to the extent shown in some of the published estimates. 1925 production, according to the best authority I know, was probably 625,000 tons against 610,000 tons absorbed. The surplus of 15,000 tons (if that is the right figure) unavoidably passed into the hands of users. Six weeks ago London stocks were limited to 8,000 tons and extraordinary as it may appear only 3,000 tons of that was No. 1 rubber.

The figures for London stocks are rising somewhat and buyers will probably hold off the market as far as they can for the present. At this season of the year they generally can afford to and they will be basing extravagant expectations on the 100 per cent. release in Malaya. Besides there is a deal of human nature in buyers as well as sellers and they generally hold off on a decline. So I expect to see a certain amount of accumulation in April and possibly in May.

This will not, however, I think, go very far. Only a serious collapse in world trading activity could fundamentally weaken the strength of the rubber position, which lies in the fact that we are every day getting nearer to a time when the world will be clamouring for more rubber than it can get. It seems to me very doubtful if there will be a surplus of production in 1926 although the brunt of the demand is likely to be felt in the second and not in the first half of the year. And producers are now in a stronger position than they ever have been. Instead of being in debt they are in funds. Formerly local selling has been a source of weakness to the resistance put up by London against a decline in price. I do not anticipate that being the case now.

After all if buyers hold stocks it costs them a dollar a pound—or whatever the market price is—to do so. If producers hold, it costs them only 25 cents to 35 cents of their estate cost. So it is reasonable we should do our share of the holding, and in view of the prospects of price recovery, and the fact that we are no longer under the same pressure to sell, I believe it is likely to be done.

The ultimate prospects of the industry seem to me so good that only a very short-sighted estate owner will press his trees for crop at present. Estates have never, in my experience, been in such good condition as they are to-day and we owe that to the conservation of bark forced on us by restriction. I believe planters of all races have learnt that lesson and will not readily forget it. The long-sighted policy is going to pay us both in the immediate and the more distant future.

(Continued at foot of next column.)

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Banque Indochine	1,085 buy, 1090 ra.
Chartered Bank	2155 nom.
Commercial Bank A. & B.	230 buy.
Do.	210 buy.
P. & O. Bank	231 nom.
East Asia Bank	230 buy.
Caution Insurance	125 buy.
China Underwriters	1190 nom.
North China Insurance	114 nom.
Union Insurance	233 buy.
Yankee Insurance	239 nom.
China Fire Insurance	1170 buy.
Hongkong Fire Insurance	230 buy.
Douglas	235 nom.
H.K. U. & M. Steamboat	235 nom.
Hongkong Tugs	234 sel.
Indo-China (Prot.)	238 nom.
Do.	240 nom.
Shell Transport	217 buy.
Star Ferry	202 nom.
Victoria	215 nom.
Oriental Navigation	235 buy.
China Sugar	235 buy.
Malayan Sugar	235 nom.
Benguet	211 nom.
Malaya Mining A.	22 buy.
Langkat (combined)	214 buy.
Do. (single)	214 buy.
Shanghai Exchanges	214 buy.
Shanghai Loans	214 nom.
Banque	214 nom.
Tonghai Mines	214 nom.
Ural Caspian	214 nom.
H.K. & A. Wharves	212 buy.
H.K. & W. Docks	212 sel.
Hongkong	215 buy.
New Engineering	215 buy.
Shanghai Docks	215 buy.
H.K. & S. Hotels	215 sel.
Hongkong Lands	215 sel.
Hongkong Realty (S.P.)	215 buy.
H.K. Territorial (S.P.)	215 nom.
Hampden Estate	215 buy.
Prince's Buildings	215 nom.
Rural Lands	215 nom.
Kwo Cottons	215 buy.
Oriental	215 buy.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	215 buy.
Do. (new)	215 buy.
Amusements	215 buy.
Canton Ice	215 nom.
Cement (combined)	215 buy.
Do.	215 buy.
China Buses	215 sel.
China Lights (combined)	215 sel.
Do.	215 buy.
Do. (old)	215 buy.
China Provident	215 buy.
Constructions	215 sel.
Lary Farms	215 nom.
Lee & Wing (S.P.)	215 nom.
Hongkong Electric	215 buy. & a.
Macao Electric	215 nom.
H.K. Developments	215 sel.
H.K. Buses (combined)	215 sel.
Do.	215 sel.
Do. (new)	215 sel.
Hongkong Tramways	215 buy.
Lease Crawfords	215 sel.
Mackintosh	215 nom.
Peak Tram (old)	215 buy.
Do. (new)	215 buy.
Sincere	215 nom.
Taxis	215 nom.
United Asbestos	215 nom.
Wacoone (old)	215 buy.
Wm. Powells	215 nom.
Singapore Traction	215 sel.

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COMPANY REPORT.

MESSRS. LANE, CRAWFORD, LTD.

The annual report of Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., states:

The Directors have pleasure in submitting to shareholders a statement of accounts made up to 28th February, 1926. The balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account after allowing for Depreciation and Bad and Doubtful Debts, together with balance brought forward from last year, viz., \$24,183.93 amounts to \$39,994.38 which the Directors propose to allocate as follows:—Dividend of 30 cts. per share, \$37,500.00; carry forward to new account, \$2,494.38.

Board of Directors.—The board of Directors consists of Mr. A. S. D. Coulson (Chairman), Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Mr. Chan Tong, Mr. M. Manuk, Mr. E. M. Raymond (Directors), Mr. F. M. Crawford, Mr. W. A. Eustace (Managing Directors). In accordance with the Articles of Association, Mr. M. Manuk retires, but, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

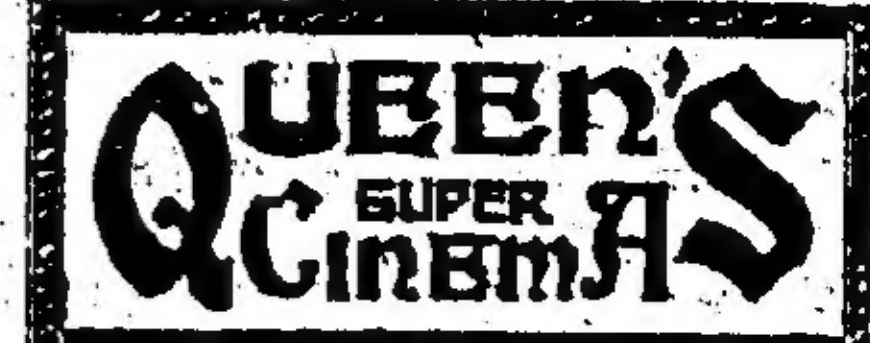
Secretary.—Mr. S. J. Jordain.
Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Linstead & Davis who offer themselves for re-election.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, April 16th.	
To-day's exchange rates are as follows:	
Paris	144
Brussels	131
Amsterdam	12.11
Berlin	30.42
Copenhagen	18.55
Vienna	34.45
Helsinki	183
Lisbon	24
Buenos Aires	442
Shanghai	3/11
Yokohama	22.10
New York	1/11 1/10
Geneva	4.86
Milan	120.85
Stockholm	18.15
Oslo	22.20
Madrid	34
Bombay	1/5 15/16
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HONGKONG AMUSEMENTS.

LOCAL CINEMA PROGRAMMES.

Attractive programmes are again the order at the local cinemas this week.

At the Queen's Theatre yesterday, there was an excellent programme, the principal feature being "The French Doll" with Mae Murray, a Hongkong favourite, as the "star" in it. The picture is vivid, alive, and of swift action spiced with delicious humour, the "Star" is supported by Rod la Roque, Willard Louis and other well-known screen names. The film which provides an evening of enchanting entertainment, will be repeated to-day.

At the 5.15 p.m. and 9.15 p.m. performances to-day, Mme. Dorina, premiere danseuse with the Folies Bergères de Paris and the Grand Casino de Marseilles, who appeared yesterday at the Queen's and met with a very fine reception, will again appear in classical dances in costume to music of the masters. Mme. Dorina started a Far Eastern tour at Singapore and has since given performances at Saigon, Haiphong and Hanoi. She is on her way to America and contemplates returning to Hongkong in the winter with a company. In each of the eighteen dances she gives she appears in beautiful array.

To-morrow and Wednesday at the Queen's a First National attraction, "The Woman on the Jury" heads the bill. It is adapted from the stage play by Bernard K. Burns. The story, which is very tense and highly dramatic, shows how fate placed a woman on the jury which was to try another woman for murder, and how this woman was the only person in the world who could save the woman on trial, and how she did it.

From Thursday to Saturday Carl Laemmle presents Reginald Denny in "What happened to Jones," a picture

which is a laughing riot throughout. It is as good, if not better than "Where Was I?" which was shown at the Queen's quite recently to delighted houses.

STAR THEATRE.

At the Star Theatre to-night "The Arizona Sweepstakes," one of the latest and best Western films, will again be screened. It is another of Carl Laemmle's Universal Jewels, and has been taken from a story of Charles Logan. With this picture, the first of a series of Home scenery pictures is being shown, the opening one being "Box Hill and its Beauty Spots."

To-morrow and Wednesday, Colleen Moore will be starred in "Broken Chains," a picture which, although screened last year at the Queen's, is well worth a second visit. From Thursday to Saturday, the Kowloon side will be favoured with "Lorna Doone," starring Madge Bellamy, John Bowers and Frank Keenan. The film is a Maurice Tourneur masterpiece.

FUTURE ATTRACTIONS.

Films booked by the Hongkong Amusements, Ltd., for early showing in the Colony include, "Quo Vadis," "Romola," "Barbara," "Freddie," "Red Lily," "The Shooting of Dan McGrew," "His Hour," "Sinners in Silk," and "Twenty-One." There is also "The Love Story of Aileen Brunton," a British production. In "Twenty-One" Richard Barthelmess will be the hero. In the "Shooting of Dan McGrew," Barbara La Marr will appear as the "Lady that's known as Lou," supported by Percy Marmont, with Cody as "Dan McGrew." Readers will be pleased to learn that Dick Norton's "New Globe Trotters" are to pay a return visit to the Star Theatre at the end of the month; and also that the "Russian State Ballet," should open here on Thursday, April 29th.

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ENTRIES FOR SECOND EXTRA MEETING.

[BY ARGUS.]

The entries for the second extra race meeting to be held under H.K.J.C. auspices at Happy Valley, on May 1st, closed on Saturday and numerically are as good as can be expected in these days of trade depression.

For the Colonial Stakes (6 furlongs) the following 14 have been entered: Daisy Dahlia, Melody Dahlia, District Call, Reehabite, King's Favourite, Boston, Barley Grass, The Gowk, Invader, Craigavad, Kwantao, Fireworks, Scorched Primrose (late Lotus River), Golden Pheasant.

On public performances, the two Dahlias are probably the pick of the bunch unless Fireworks is in the humour to put his heart into his work. All the "subs" receive a 7 lbs. allowance.

In the Commonwealth Handicap (6 furlongs) for "A" and "B" classes, to be run as races 2 and 6 the Handicapper is asked to allot weights to 35 ponies as follow:—Reynolds, Daisy Dahlia, Sandpiper, The Geeser, Grey Streak, Home Call, Barley Grass, Craigavad, Dobbin, Rothesay, Tutix, Boston, Tacoma, Bay of Bellingham, Beldorney Star, Jamba, The Goblin (late Bundoran), The Gink (late Demon Boy), Arabian Parrot, Melody Dahlia, Golden Pheasant, The Gowk, Brigade Call, District Call, Saracen, The Regent, Blotting Paper, Loch Rannoch, September, San Diego, Wimmera, Kwantao, Blue Grass, Fireworks, Folly.

As regards the "A" class, the Handicapper cannot very well deviate from the weights allotted in the Hainton Plate at last meeting as regards those entered then and now since an unfortunate "incident" at the start on April 3rd resulted in Home Call and Melody Dahlia jumping off and having a race on their own.

It will be noticed that Arabian Parrot, The Goblin and the Gink, Wimmera and Kwantao are additions.

The third event is the Polo Scurry (3 furlongs) for which post entries are in order. So far Christmas Eve, Shot III, and Hailsham have been nominated.

It will take a good pony to beat the last-named over this distance, jady as he is.

The Second Aggregate Stakes (1 mile) has attracted 16, whose weights appear in brackets:—Souvenir (149), Melody Dahlia (149), Grey Streak (149), Saracen (149), The Regent (149), September (149), Tacoma (149), Bay of Bellingham (149), Saligia (149), Home Call (149), Brigade Call (149), Dobbin (149), Total Abstinence (149), Wimmera (149), San Diego (149), Blue Grass (149).

Souvenir is entered in the name of Mr. Alargus and is a new importation, but though he is highly thought of by his connections, he is not yet fit. Without a reference book, I am not quite sure whether September and the Regent have not both earned a 5 lbs. penalty by victories up North in an open race valued at \$800.

At the weights Brigade Call or September appear the only ponies likely to offer serious opposition to Saligia.

Fifteen names appear in the Dominion Plate (1m, 100yds.). They are:—Arabian Parrot, The Geeser, Dobbin, Total Abstinence, September, San Diego, Tacoma, The Goblin (late Bundoran), Sandpiper, Brigade Call, Loch Rannoch, Blotting Paper, Golden Chrysanthemum, Wimmera, Bay of Bellingham.

If Brigade Call is sent to the post in this race, he should be suited by the distance despite his 5 lbs. penalty. Total Abstinence and Dobbin appeal to me most among the others.

The Empire Handicap has attracted the following 22:—The Gowk, Souvenir, Brigade Call, Golden Chrysanthemum, Dobbin, Loch Rannoch, Wimmera, September, Tacoma, Beldorney Star, The Goblin (late Bundoran), Grey Streak, The Geeser, Home Call, Sunburst Rose, Blotting Paper, Tutix, Boston, San Diego, Bay of Bellingham, Blue Grass, The Gink (late Demon Boy).

There may be a shortage of riders unless L. C. Thompson is back in time for the next meeting.

Mr. de Rosa will be away in Shanghai and told me last week that Arabian Parrot was not likely to be entered.

Now his name appears, however, it is possible that he may be coming to hand quicker than expected. He broke down just before the Annual Meeting.

"HASTEN UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD."

THE DANISH AVIATORS IN CANTON.

Our Cantonese "friends" are seemingly very paradoxical. On the 12th inst. the Popular Air Association of Canton is stated to have given a party in honour of the two Danish aviators, Commander Bøved and his companion. The Danish Consul was also invited. Among the Cantonese present were the Director of the Aviation Bureau, the President of the Air Association, and the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs. Felicitous speeches were made by the Danish Consul and the President of the Air Association, and the members of the Association presented the aviators with a flag embroidered with the words: "Hasten Universal Brotherhood."

No further news is available with regard to the Danish aviators' plans for leaving Canton.

CHINESE MARRIAGES.

JUDGMENT IN SUPREME COURT CASE.

STRONG COMMENTS BY CHIEF JUSTICE.

The Chief Justice of Singapore (Sir William Marison) delivered an interesting judgment in the Supreme Court in a case in which the main issue was whether the mother of the plaintiff was married to Woon Hong On deceased as his principal wife.

His Lordship said, in the course of his judgment: "The Chinese are polygamous and that the Courts of this Colony recognize polygamous unions for the purposes of succession and legitimacy among native inhabitants whose religion permits polygamy. It ought perhaps to be added that polygamy is allowed not in the sense of a number of wives of equal standing, but only in the sense of one principal wife and any number of secondary wives or *taips*. The wedding of a Chinese woman as a principal wife (*tsai*) is ordinarily proved by the performance of certain ceremonies, some of which are essential and others accidental. For the marriage of a Chinese woman as a secondary wife no ceremonies are required."

I do not propose at the moment to consider what the essential ceremonies of the marriage of a principal wife are because Mr. Campbell for the plaintiff admits that he cannot, in the case of Chan Yat Quan (plaintiff's mother) prove that any of them were performed. What he does rely upon as proof of Chan Yat Quan's marriage to Woon Hong as his principal wife is their cohabitation. From that he says so strong a presumption of marriage arises in law that the court ought to presume the marriage. It is clear from the evidence that Chan Yat Quan lived and cohabited with Woon Hong in the same house from 1911 until her death in 1922, and that she bore him four daughters and one son.

ONLY ONE PRINCIPAL WIFE.

After referring to the evidence of various witnesses, His Lordship continued:—Apart from these considerations, however, Mr. Campbell has undoubtedly a good case based upon the cohabitation of the parties and the legal presumption to which I have referred. The only question is whether or not there is a strong, distinct and satisfactory disproof of the presumption. The onus is now on such of the defendants as actively oppose the plaintiff, and their case is practically bound up with that of the first defendant, Yee Pak Yee. Mr. Johannes, for Yee Pak Yee, starts from the admitted proposition that a Chinaman cannot have two principal wives at the same time. He asks the Court, therefore, to say that if he can prove that Yee Pak Yee was married as a principal wife to Woon Hong during the lifetime of Chan Yat Quan it is impossible that Chan Yat Quan could have ever been his principal wife: for otherwise Woon Hong On was palpably committing bigamy, and the assistants at his marriage would have been guilty of abetting bigamy; and that it is not to be assumed that any such bigamy was committed. That, I think, is a fair enough argument.

ESSENTIAL CEREMONIES.

It becomes necessary therefore to look into the conditions of Woon Hong On's marriage to Yee Pak Yee, and for that purpose to consider what are the usual and what are the essential ceremonies to a valid Chinese marriage in Singapore. The chief evidence upon these points was given by Mr. Stirling, the Assistant Protector of Chinese. He agreed that the usual ceremonies in a Chinese marriage in Singapore were those set out in the evidence of Mr. Wee Kim Yam in the Six Widows Case. I do not repeat them here as I am really only concerned with the essential ceremonies. These, Mr. Stirling says, are those set out in Mr. Wong Kim Fah's evidence in the same case and are as follows:—

Proposal through a match maker sent or employed generally by the parent of the bridegroom to make the offer, and to find out the eight characters of the bridegroom according to the hour, day, month and year of the birthday of the parties.

Consultation, usually with an astrologer, that the horoscopes are not antagonistic. The final exchange of the birthday papers of the intended bride or bridegroom.

The interexchange of presents.

The fixing of a lucky day for the marriage, generally selected by an astrologer.

The celebration of the marriage.

MATCHMAKING'S EVIDENCE.

Now what is the evidence to prove that these essentials were fulfilled? First, then, as to the go-between or matchmaker, there is the evidence of the go-between herself, Wee Guan Neo, that she acted as go-between, and I see no reason to doubt what she has said. She is no relation of Yee Pak Yee and she attended as a professional go-between. Secondly, as to the consultation with an astrologer, I have no independent evidence of this. The neighbour knows nothing about it nor does the go-between. Apparently it is the business of the bridegroom's party to see to this matter. I think, however, that as I have evidence that a day was fixed, in the case of a ceremony twelve years old, I can presume that this part of the ceremony was complied with.

EXCHANGE OF PAPERS.

Thirdly, as to the exchange of papers. There are usually three red papers exchanged, but one of these only was produced. There is no clear evidence before me to show how far only one paper

would validate marriage, but as the ceremony took place some twelve years ago I think I am justified in presuming that the other papers were duly exchanged. It seems difficult to suppose that only one paper was actually exchanged, and, anyhow, there is no clear proof that three papers are absolutely essential. Fourthly, as to the interexchange of presents the two independent witnesses, the go-between and the neighbour, testify that these were exchanged. Fifthly, as to the fixing of a lucky day for the marriage, there is the direct evidence of the independent witnesses, the go-between and the neighbour, that a day was fixed. Sixthly, as to the celebration of the marriage, this is definitely proved by the go-between and the neighbour.

There is evidence of other ceremonies which are not included in the list of essentials, such as the dressing of the bride's hair, the bringing of the bride to the bridegroom's house in a red motor-car, the burning of candles, the ancestral worship, the worship of tablets, the bride's sitting on the kangtang (which occurs only in the case of a principal wife) and the eating of cake by the parties, all deposed to by the go-between, whom I regard as an independent witness. Further, it appears that Chan Yat Quan made no protest against Woon Hong's marriage with Yee Pak Yee. I find on this evidence that Yee Pak Yee was married as a principal wife to Woon Hong.

"VAGUE AND UNSATISFACTORY."

Before leaving the question of the so-called usual and essential ceremonies in the Chinese wedding of a principal wife, I would like to observe that the whole matter is in my opinion most unsatisfactory and vague. There seems to be no real and final authority at all as to what are the actual essentials of the marriage; that is, what are the ceremonies the omission of any one of which is sufficient to invalidate the marriage and what are the ceremonies which, if they are all performed, themselves constitute a valid marriage. A consideration of various text books and a number of decided cases leads me to the conclusion that these ceremonies differ in different parts of China and again differ here in Singapore. The expert witness Mr. Stirling was quite vague as to essentials. So are Van Mollendorf and Jamieson and the expert witnesses. The one I have followed as most definite is a merchant in the Six Widows Case.

I am not sure that some day the Court here will not have to hold that the only real essential of the Chinese marriage of a principal wife is intention; and that it is a question of fact in each case whether or not there has been a performance by the parties in this Colony of so much of the ceremonies usual in Chinese principal marriages as would justify the Court in finding that there was an intention to perform a principal marriage and that therefore such a marriage has taken place.

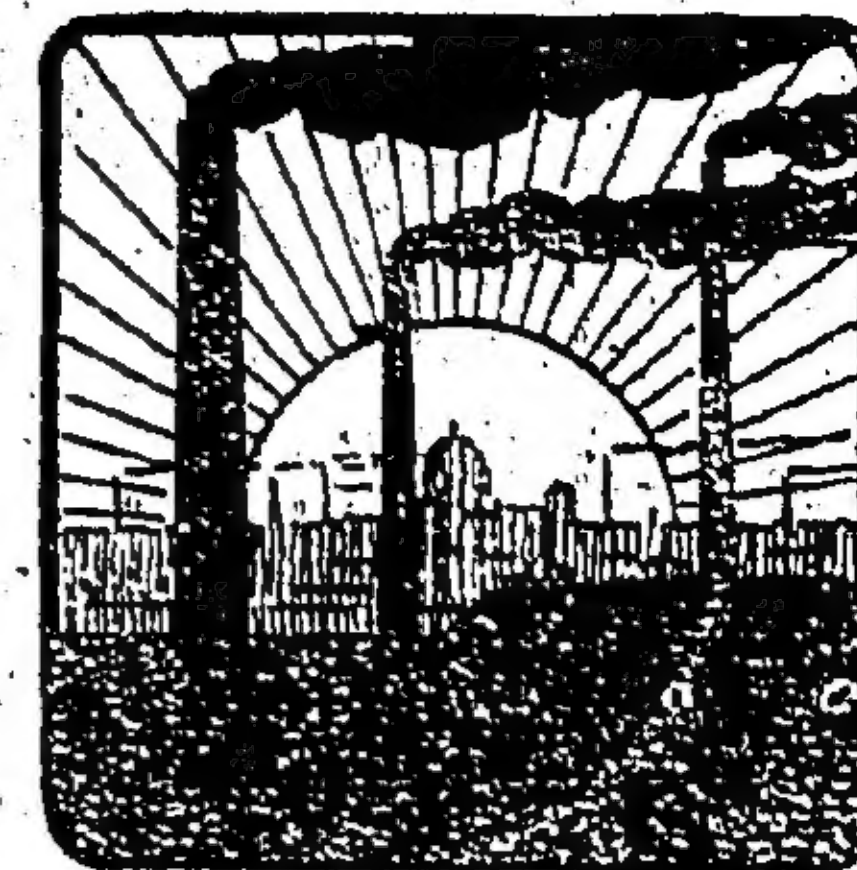
The whole question, in the absence of legislation, must, I think, be considered to be in the melting pot and after the lapse of years the crystallization of essentials in the accurate sense of the word may eventually. I my opinion there is no such accurate category in Singapore yet.

JUDGMENT FOR DEFENDANT.

His Lordship, continuing, said that for the reasons given above it seemed to him very improbable that Chan Yat Quan could have been the principal wife of Woon Hong. After referring to the testimony of the witness, His Lordship said:—It is partly upon the evidence of this will, but mainly upon the independent evidence of Yee Pak Yee's marriage as principal wife that I depend. And I hold that such evidence is sufficiently strong to disprove the presumption of marriage as a principal wife which without it could probably have been inferred. I would add that I come to this conclusion with considerable reluctance. There will be judgment for the defendants, the question of costs being reserved.

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CARGO BOAT STOLEN.

ROBBERS TAKE JUNK FROM ITS CREW.

A daring raid carried out by armed robbers on a cargo boat, in which they seized the junk and everything on board, was brought to light in a report made to the Water Police yesterday by the master of the stolen vessel.

From his report it appears that his cargo boat, which was manned by himself and three *fohis*, was anchored at a place called Tin Mun, near Castle Peak, on Saturday evening, when, about 8.30 six or seven men suddenly appeared in another boat. They got on board by the simple ruse of asking for some tobacco. Two of them suddenly whipped out revolvers and told the crew not to speak. Having tied their hands behind their backs, the robbers pushed the helpless men into the hold of the boat, and then made fast their own craft alongside and sailed away. Later the master and his crew were landed, still bound, the robbers sailing away.

Early yesterday morning the marooned men found they had been landed in Deep Bay. Having freed themselves, they caught the Deep Bay ferry launch and were later taken on board a police launch where they told their story.

The cargo of the stolen vessel, consisted of 150 crates of fish and about 60 piculs of salt. There was also on board the clothing, money, jewellery and other personal property of the master and the crew. Altogether the value of the things stolen is estimated at \$568.

\$10,600 STOLEN.

WHILE THE OWNER SLEPT AT GREAT EASTERN HOTEL.

In the early hours of Friday morning, in fact, it was at 5 a.m., Mr. Tang Pak Oi, occupying room No. 84, at the Great Eastern Hotel (opposite the Hongkong and Canton Steamboat Company's Wharf), lay down to sleep. A sum of \$10,600 was left in his coat pocket. He woke at 2 p.m. to find his money, which was all in bank-notes, missing. Such is the report which was made by the unfortunate Chinese gentleman at the Central Police Station on Friday. Detectives are now investigating the theft.

SUN FO'S MISSION.

"THE UNIFICATION OF CHINA."

The Canton Gazette of the 15th inst. commenting on Mr. Sun Fo's mission to Shanghai states:

"As already reported, the Kuominchun armies in Peking on the night of the 9th instant surrounded the residence of Tuan Chi Jui, Chief Executive of the so-called Central Government, and publicly proclaimed the crimes of traitor Tuan, who fled secretly to the foreign Legation quarter."

"After news of the *ronp* reached Canton, the Nationalist Government, seeing that Northern China was reduced to a state of anarchy is considering the present opportunity to extend its influence in the North and eventually bring about the unification of China. Therefore at a meeting held yesterday, it was decided to despatch Commissioner Sun Fo of the Nationalist Government to Shanghai to develop the negotiations with the various parties and exchange views with Tuppen Sun Chuan Fang of Kiangsu and others."

RABIES.

POLICE TAKING ACTION OVER KOWLOON INCIDENT.

REGULAR PATROLS ADVOCATED.

As a sequel to the removal of four dogs to Kennedy Town for observation in consequence of their having been bitten by a black chow bitch in Kowloon last Friday, a *Daily Press* representative, on Saturday, made enquiries at the Water Police Station and from the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon (Mr. J. W. E. Mackenzie) as to what steps were being taken in the matter.

At the Police Station it was learnt that the chow was owned by Mr. Li Yuk Ching, of 38, Sai Kung Road, Kowloon. A summons would be applied for against him for allowing the animal at large without a muzzle.

Asked what redress the owners of the injured dogs had, the reply was that the matter was not one for the Police and the officer appeared to be of the opinion that the Police could take no steps beyond the prosecution now in view.

From another source, however, it was learnt that civil action could be taken against the owner of the chow for damages. An analogous case, it was noted, had occurred in the Colony a few months ago when an owner of a race pony had obtained damages after the Police had successfully prosecuted a Chinese for reckless driving, whereby the race pony was injured.

It is understood that one of the owners of the dogs bitten on Friday intends to take proceedings in the matter.

The question of dogs at large in compounds without a muzzle was also raised with the Police and a specific case in Mody Road brought to their notice, where a dog had been seen loose in a walled area, which would not prevent his escape should he take it into his mind to jump the wall. The dog not being actually "at large" the matter was admittedly a difficult one but the complaint was noted and a promise given that steps would be taken to see what could be done in the matter.

Steps would appear to have been taken for yesterday morning the dog was chained up in the compound.

VETERINARY VIEWS.

Mr. J. W. E. Mackenzie (Colonial Veterinary Surgeon) informed our representative that in all probability the four dogs bitten on Friday would be detained in quarantine at Kennedy Road for six months (unless any of them died in the meantime), the cost being defrayed by the Government.

Questioned as to the instructions alleged to have been given to the Police to aim behind the shoulder when shooting dogs, Mr. Mackenzie made the following statement:—"The Police have been requested, whenever possible to aim behind the shoulder, or at the chest when shooting dogs, in order that the brain may not be injured before submission to the bacteriologist. Crown Sergeant Smith, on Friday, was fully justified in shooting the chow (in the head) as he did. I am satisfied from what I have been told of the dog's actions that immediate destruction was absolutely necessary."

Asked whether he was in favour of unlicensed dogs being shot on sight, Mr. Mackenzie returned an emphatic affirmative.

Continuing, the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon thought it desirable that European police patrols should be detailed to carry out a rigid campaign of extinction. He realised, however, that the authorities were apprehensive lest a passer-by might be injured. He called to mind that some years ago, one *Lukong* shot another in the foot in an attempt to kill a dog.

Mr. Mackenzie, however, added that on that occasion revolvers were used. He favoured the idea of Europeans being detailed for this duty and added that when a shot-gun was used—as is now customary—the chances of any passer-by being injured was very slight.

A third person, who was present, aptly remarked "better than ten persons should be peppered than one die from hydrophobia."

In conclusion, Mr. Mackenzie paid a tribute to the good work being done by the members of the Police force, but was anxious that they should be given even fuller powers than at present.

He thought that the public did not yet fully realise the danger of an outbreak of rabies and hoped the Press would leave no stone unturned to enlighten them.

AN AUTHORITY'S VIEWS.

These desirous of learning more about rabies and its dangers would read what the late Mr. Edward Mayhew, M.P.C.S., has to say on the subject.

In the severe epidemic of rabies in Great Britain in 1888, Mr. Mayhew was consulted by the Chief Commissioner of Police and advised that every dog in Great Britain should be muzzled for six months and the importation of dogs be prohibited altogether, or else, kept in quarantine for six months. The muzzling order was applied to only certain districts and another severe epidemic broke out in 1893.

This passage was pointed out to the writer in conversation with a dog-owner and dog-lover yesterday who added:—"Had the authorities enforced the muzzling order when a Peak tram employee died some months ago as the result of a bite from a dog, the Colony would probably now be free of rabies."

A statement, which was borne out in local veterinary circles only last week.

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KOWLOON TONG BUILDING SCHEME.

MEETING OF SUBSCRIBERS.

The members of the Association of Subscribers of the Kowloon Tong Building Scheme met at the assembly room of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, Connaught Road, on Saturday afternoon, to hear reports submitted to them for information. Mr. A. H. Bastp was in the chair with Mr. Wong Chak Nam, acting Hon. Secretary, as interpreter. More than 40 subscribers were present.

A report on the buildings already completed at Kowloon Tong, prepared by Mr. P. R. Warren, whose services as an expert had been specially retained by the Association, was read by the Chairman, and in the discussion which followed the opinion was expressed that if the recommendations which the report contained were carried out, the objections raised regarding the houses would be largely overcome.

Many of the Chinese subscribers—even those able to read English—were unable to clearly understand the technicalities in the report, but the Chairman mentioned that a copy of the report had already been forwarded to the Hongkong Public Works Department and that the Government would doubtless see that the recommendations in the report would be carried out by the Kowloon Tong Building Scheme management.

It was finally decided to publish Mr. Warren's report—which consisted of 14 typewritten pages, together with a number of plans—for the information and use of subscribers to the scheme.

According to Mr. Wong Tong, a subscriber now in residence on the site, the recent rains confirmed the charge that the buildings were not up to the promised standard. He said that practically every room in his house was leaky.

Mr. Sun Chi Hing, another subscriber, made similar complaints. Despite the assurance of an expert architect, he still expressed the fear that the buildings were weak.

Another speaker was afraid that in the construction of the buildings there had been a departure from the original plans and asked if the Kowloon Tong Company would be liable to pay compensation, should a house become unstable.

The levels on which some of the houses have been built were also criticised. It was stated that in some parts so much water had collected from the rains of the last few days, that fish might be cultivated there.

Assurances, however, were given by speakers that steps were to be taken at once to remedy complaints, and the hope was expressed that those who had not completed payment of their dues would do so, as further delay would simply add extra expense to the scheme.

When a motion was proposed to petition the Government to cancel the clauses preventing the selling and renting of the houses by the present owners at Kowloon Tong, all voted for it, many having signed the petition proposed before the motion was made and passed.

The petition follows:—"That this meeting of the Association of the Subscribers of the Kowloon Tong Building Scheme request the Government to cancel that portion of Clause 7 (c) of an Agreement dated the 20th day of October, 1922, between King George V of the one part and the Kowloon Tong and New Territories Development Company, Ltd., of the other part which provides: That a purchaser from the Company cannot during the period of five years from the date when Crown rent commences to run in respect of the lot leased to him assign or underlet such lot without the consent of the Governor in Council; and that the Committee of the Association do place this Resolution before His Excellency the Governor in Council."

PRIMARY SYMPTOMS.

The primary symptoms of rabies, which is a purely contagious disease, and which may occur at any season of the year, are summed by Mr. Mayhew in the following paragraphs:—

(1)—*Loss of Appetite*.—If unaccountable, watch the animal closely.

(2)—*Attack*.—Timid dogs become fearless, and snap and bite without provocation. As a rule there is no "fight," but merely a "snap," and this often preceded by a lick from the rabid dog. Even his companion the cat is liable to be attacked.

(3)—*Change of Disposition*.—Cheerful dogs become morose; quiet ones restless, and good-tempered ones quarrelsome. A disposition to hide in dark corners.

(4)—*Bark*.—Very characteristic—short, dismal, hollow; half bark, half howl.

(5)—*Eating*.—Unnaturally. Although as a rule refusing food, rabid dogs will devour filth, stones, straw, etc. Great disposition to gnaw woodwork, rugs and furniture.

(6)—*Disposition to Wander*.—A rabid dog has a great inclination to escape and wander.

(7)—*Water*.—Rabid dogs have no fear of water. They will plunge their muzzles into water, and during the early stages of the disease, they can drink freely.

(8)—*The Jaw*.—In dumb rabies—so-called—the lower jaw, through paralysis, is dropped slightly, and the mouth is constantly open with a fixed appearance.

It is to be hoped that the foregoing will help the public to realise the symptoms of rabies and bring home to writers of the newspapers—some of whom, from their writing, lead one to believe that they value the life of a dog higher than that of a human being—that the Veterinary and Police Authorities are only taking the steps deemed necessary to stamp out the present outbreak of rabies.

SANITARY BOARD ELECTION.

ANOTHER BALLOT TO BE HELD.

HOURS FOR VOTING EXTENDED.

The ballot of last Monday for the election of a member of the Sanitary Board in place of Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C. (retired), has been declared void, and consequently a new election has been ordered to take place on Monday next, April 26th, when the balloting is to take place in the City Hall, thus affording more adequate accommodation than was obtainable in the small office at the Registrar's Office in the Supreme Court. The hours of voting are also extended. On Monday last the hours were from 4 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. On April 26th the hours will be from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., which is one hour and a half longer than on the previous occasion.

The *franchise* announcement of the forthcoming election is as under:—

A ballot for the election of a member of the Sanitary Board will take place at the City Hall between the hours of 4 p.m. and 7 p.m., on Monday, April 26th, 1926. The following candidates have been duly nominated:—

1.—Dr. Ho Sai Chuen.

2.—Dr. Filomeno Maria Graça Ozorio.

The previous election resulted in a victory for Dr. Ho, with 220 votes, Dr. Ozorio receiving 138 votes.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

AN ADDITION TO THE TEACHING STAFF.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The St. Stephen's College for Boys of Hongkong has added to its teaching staff a well-known Chinese scholar, Mr. Ching Tso Yee, formerly president of Canton Educational Association and dean of the Higher Normal School of the Government of Canton. Mr. Ching, who is a native of Nanhai, Kwangtung, was a *Chu Jen*, or Chinese scholar, having passed, when a young man the second highest degree of the Chinese Government Civil Service Examination. He later studied at the Peking University and then in America, receiving the degrees of B.A., at the University of California and M.A., at Columbia University, in New York. Upon returning to China in 1916, he served for sometime as a private secretary to the Civil Governor of Kwangtung. In addition he was a professor and dean of the Higher Normal School. Mr. Ching was sometime Secretary of the Chinese Segate, Assistant Commissioner of Education of Canton and until recently a professor of Kwangtung University. For many years he was president of the Canton Branch of the Boys Scouts Association of China.

CANTON SCHOOL CHILDREN AND PARADES.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Following upon protests by many parents against their children being required to participate in parades and other demonstrations of the Kuomintang, the Commissioner of Education at Canton has undertaken to instruct all municipal schools not to further accept invitations for children to parade without his consent.

It has been pointed out that during the past 12 months, ending March 31st, the Canton school children have wasted nearly 50 days in helping the Kuomintang to form parades and demonstrations. This is in addition to the Spring recess of three days, the summer vacation of 50 days, Chinese New Year holidays of three days, winter recess of 14 days, Chinese national and religious holidays of 16 days, and 53 Sundays, in which no school is in regular session.

TEMPERATURES AND RAINFALL.

THE READINGS FOR MARCH.

An extract of meteorological observations made at the Royal Observatory during the month of March shows that the average mean temperature during that month was 63.5, the highest being 77.2 on the 10th, and the lowest 55 on the 23rd and 28th respectively. There were 98.1 hours of sunshine and 4.84 inches of rain, whilst the average humidity was 82.

The rainfall for the month of March at the Botanical Gardens was 5.03ins. on 15 days, at the Matilda Hospital, Mount Kellett, it was 4.68ins. on 14 days, and at the Police Station, Tai-po, it was 3.44ins. on 6 days.

The lowest reading of the barometer (M.S.L.) was 29.853ins. at 13h. on the 17th.

The maximum squall velocity, as recorded by the Dines-Baxendell anemograph, was at the rate of 40 miles per hour at 19h. 25m. on the 16th.

SUPREME COURT.

NOMINAL SUM AWARDED AS DAMAGES.

At the Supreme Court on Saturday, the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan), in giving judgment in the case of the Tai Lung Lim firm v. Ng Lu, a partner in the Tsan Loong firm, awarded the plaintiffs \$10 only, without costs.

When the case was originally heard, Ng Lu, the defendant, was serving a term of imprisonment for debt, but permission was granted him to attend Court. His Lordship, however, refused to allow him to take part in the proceedings, because he had not filed a statement of defence.

His Lordship, in giving judgment, said that the claim was for damages for non-completion of a house, 91, Shanghai Street, Yau-mat. The defendant was the contractor. An agreement had been made to complete the house by May 17th, 1923, but when defendant's employees ceased work on May 23rd it had not been completed.

The plaintiffs had made no claim for specific damages, although it had been agreed that the defendant firm would have to pay them \$10 for each day after May 17th if the house were not completed. It had been stated on behalf of the plaintiffs that as the defendants began the work, the rules of the Contractors' Union forbade anyone else to complete the work. Very little on the building had been left incomplete. Plaintiffs had only paid defendants \$6,900 out of a total of \$7,950, and it could not be said that they had suffered considerably. Certainly, the plaintiffs had given no evidence of any damage incurred for which the defendant could be held responsible. He would therefore give judgment for a nominal sum only, \$10, without costs.

Mr. Somerset Fitzroy represented the plaintiffs.

THE RENTS ORDINANCE.

CHINESE TENANTS DESIRE ITS RETENTION.

The Hongkong Tenants' Protective Association, at a general meeting held at Hung Far Lau, Queen's Road Central, yesterday, unanimously resolved to petition the Governor in Council to continue the Rents Restriction Ordinance. An amendment suggesting retention of part of the ordinance only, should circumstances demand, was overwhelmingly defeated. The meeting was called in view of the fact that the Government proposes to allow the ordinance to lapse on June 30th next.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. Wong Kum Ying, chairman of the Association.

Dr. Yeung Siu Chuen, a member of the Committee of the Association, in addressing the meeting, stated that rents in Hongkong were high enough, having regard to "reasonable value of property." While he had no doubt that a majority of the landlords would not take advantage of the freedom to be returned to them, a few of the speculating landlords could, as they did before the ordinance, create a condition which would force many existing tenants to move out.

Mr. Lum Fong, speaking for the thousands of lighter-men and stevedores residing in all parts of Hongkong, especially Hunghom, Yau-mat, Mongkok, and Sham-shui-po, said that as a sea-faring man, he had visited many parts of the world but had heard of no place where rents were so high as in Hongkong.

In the discussion which took place, the general feeling was that it is inadvisable to allow the landlords to increase their rent charges.

Two committees were appointed to assist the officers and committees of the Association in connection with a petition to the Government for the continuation of the ordinance.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Association, Mr. Fung Wai Sing, reported for the past year receipts amounting \$4,600.80, while expenditure had been \$4,767.59, leaving a balance of \$833.63.

To raise funds for solicitor's fees and other necessary expenses connected with the coming petition to continue the ordinance, it was decided to authorize a subscription list to be opened.

During the meeting a number of letters were read, to the effect that despite the existence of the ordinance protecting the tenants, some landlords had used methods of their own in forcing tenants to move so that the premises might be let to new comers at higher rentals.

Officers elected for the ensuing year included Mr. Wong Kum Ying, Chairman; Mr. Fung Wai Sing, Hon. Treasurer; and Mr. Chui Tze Bun, Hon. Secretary.

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NOTICE.

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DURING the absence of the Undersecretary from the Colony the above Firm will be under the Management of Mr. E. H. MELBYE.

April 17th, 1926. [3438]

HONOURABLE ARTILLERY COMPANY.

A DINNER will be held on FRIDAY, NEXT, 23rd APRIL, and any Old Member of the Regiment wishing to Attend should communicate with the Hon. SECRETARY.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. J. W. DE VRIES will be in Charge of Our CANTON BRANCH as From MONDAY, THE 19th INSTANT.

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By Order of the Board of Directors, L. S. GREENHILL, Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th April, 1926. [3448]

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NOTICE.

THE FORTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Office of the General Agents, Pedder Street, on THURSDAY, 22nd APRIL, 1926, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1925.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 8th to 22nd APRIL, 1926, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Agents. Hongkong, 26th March, 1926. [3372]

THE SIMPLEX PLASTER COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SECOND ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at their Registered Office, 2nd Floor, POWELL BUILDING, on THURSDAY, 22nd APRIL, 1926, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st December, 1925.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 22nd APRIL, 1926, inclusive.

THE HONGKONG ENCAVATION, PILE DRIVING AND CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD., General Managers. [3440]

CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of the General Managers, Messrs. SWEET, TAYLOR & CO., St. George's Building, Chester Road, Hongkong, on MONDAY, THE 26th DAY OF APRIL, 1926, at 11 o'clock in the Forenoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers and a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1925, and of electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 12th APRIL 1926, to 26th APRIL, 1926, both days inclusive.

By Order of the General Managers, R. FARRANT, Manager and Secretary. Hongkong, 14th April, 1926. [3439]

SHEK 'O DEVELOPMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

THE YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the SHEK 'O DEVELOPMENT CO., LTD., will be held in the Office of Messrs. PALMER & TURNER, on TUESDAY, THE 27th APRIL, 1926, at 5.15 P.M., to adopt the Accounts for the Year ending the 31st December, 1925, and to elect Officers, etc.

By Order, P. M. HODGSON, Secretary. [3425]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

THE Undersigned, going Home on leave, begs to inform that Mr. LIMAGE has been Appointed LOCAL AGENT of the COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES with effect from the 13th INSTANT.

C. F. MIOLLIS, Acting Agent. [3431]

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HONGKONG, APRIL 19TH, 1926.

THE BRITISH BUDGET.

THE British Treasury last month issued some comparative statistics relating to the national expenditure which show that it has practically quadrupled in eleven years. The precise figures are: For 1914-15, £204,945,000; for 1925-26, £799,400,000. Very shortly the Chancellor of the Exchequer will be laying before Parliament his annual Budget statement. In a speech Mr. CHURCHILL made a month ago on the Economy Bill he left upon the House of Commons the impression that the country is faced with the prospect of a stabilised budget for the next five years of £800,000,000, and that any hope of small remissions of taxation must lie in the possibility of expanded revenue rather than of contracted expenditure. A year ago Mr. CHURCHILL expressed the view that the Cabinet Committee ought to aim at a net reduction in the cost of Supply of £10,000,000 each year, progressively. It is now admitted, says a *Times* political note, that, with the new expenditure to which the Government is committed, such a net reduction cannot be achieved, though a cut of £10,000,000 on the actual recurring expenditure is possible.

The Economy Bill which the House debated a month ago, will, in the words of Mr. CHURCHILL, "save the taxpayer from an otherwise inevitable increase of taxation and the country from questionable financial expedients." The Chancellor was faced with the task of finding

economies equal to the £31,000,000 which new commitments forced him to spend. Towards this £18,000,000 had been found by the Departments, and he looked to the proposals in the Economy Bill—whose main features were the reduction of the State's contributions to the Health Insurance and Unemployment Insurance Funds—to provide the rest.

A very interesting feature of the Chancellor's speech was the grouping of the expenditure figures into four categories, viz: (1) *Obligatory Services*—Including Debt and Pensions, taken from all branches of the Estimates. (2) *Grant Services*—Education, Housing, Health, Police, Local Taxation, Sugar Subsidy, and Irish Services. (3) *Self-supporting Services*—Post Office and Road Fund, and (4) *National Administrative Services*—Defence, Tax Collection, Insurance, Law Services and other Services. Mr. CHURCHILL showed that the first three categories accounted for an expenditure of £284,000,000 in place of £103,500,000 before the war—an increase of nearly 500 per cent. It was expenditure over which the Government had no effective control, expenditure which no honest Parliament could reduce or expenditure which produced revenue. By comparison, the fourth category had risen only 70 per cent., a ratio identical with that of the purchasing power of the £. This fourth category, the battleground of the spenders and the economists, included the Army, the Navy, the Air Forces, the tax-gathering departments, the National Insurance Fund, the prisons, the judges, and the Civil list. A mere 70 per cent. rise—in spite of all the new Government functions, vast and complex. Yet it is on these services costing £165,000,000, that the saving of £31,000,000 has been made, and in making this saving Mr. CHURCHILL claimed that the Government were neither unduly diminishing national security nor prejudicing social services. They would be able to initiate widows' pensions, he said, without increasing the total expenditure of the country, and with the Budget proposals, he predicted that the Government would be able to carry the country through a most difficult financial year without, as we have said, either the reimposition of burdensome taxation or a resort to unsound financial expedients.

A stray dog, suspected of being rabid, was found in Caine Road, and has been sent to Kennedy Town.

A landslide occurred on the new motor-road between Conduit Road and Robinson Road on Friday, and the thoroughfare was obstructed.

St. Anthony's Church in its new location at 177, Third Street, is notified to be a licensed place for the solemnization of marriages.

Mr. A. W. Vick, Chartered Bank, Singapore, has taken over charge of the Bank from Mr. J. R. George, who is going home on leave.

The two new ferries of the "Star" Ferry Co., Ltd., *Solar Star* and *Night Star*, are very nearly completed and will be taken into service.

The master of a joss paper shop at 130, Main Street, Shaikwan, has reported to the police, that his manager has absconded with \$1,700.

A Chinese was fined \$5 at the Central Magistracy on Saturday and ordered to pay \$2 compensation to a woman whom he had injured in a quarrel.

It is notified in the *Government Gazette* that the name of Hongkong Industrial Security Association, Ltd., has been struck off the Register.

A Chinese boy was knocked down by a motorcar on the Taiipo Road on Friday. He received injuries to his face, but was not detained in hospital.

Mr. H. S. Bennett, Manager of the Hongkong Telephone Co., left by the P. & O. *Devanha* on Saturday for Home, on leave, accompanied by Mrs. Bennett.

A Chinese woman who was admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital on Friday, suffering from head injuries, alleged that she had been attacked by another woman who struck her with a hammer.

The vernacular papers state that a passenger can now obtain a pass from the Boycott Executive to leave Canton on payment of \$12.20. No time limit for return is stipulated.

The *Government Gazette* contains the corrected copy of the register of medical and surgical practitioners qualified to practise medicine and surgery in the Colony. There are 123 names on the list.

It is reported that the Canton Government have assurances of a loan from German capitalists for the development of the port of Whampoa, conditionally on the granting of "certain concessions."

A Chinese was sentenced to two weeks' hard labour by Mr. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy on Saturday, on a charge of being implicated in an attempt to steal a number of empty cement sacks from the Naval Yard.

H.E. the Governor has been pleased to appoint the following officers to be Honorary Extra Aides-de-Camp with effect from December 11th, 1925:—Capt. G. E. Swinton, M.C., 1st Battalion, The East Surrey Regiment, and Lieut. A. J. L. Whyte, Royal Engineers.

Sir Arthur K. Yapp, National Secretary of the Y.M.C.A., is due to arrive in the Colony on the P. & O. s.s. *Kyber* about April 29th. His visit will be of particular interest to all connected with the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon. It is intended to hold a meeting at the Y.M.C.A. which will be addressed by Sir Arthur Yapp.

Mails from Home via Suez (letters and papers, London, March 18th, and parcels March 11th) arrived on Saturday afternoon by the P. & O. s.s. *Kashgar*, but owing to the late landing of the mail from the vessels, letters and papers were not ready for delivery and collection until yesterday morning. The parcels will be ready to-day.

The Chinese Y.M.C.A. of Hongkong will start next Wednesday its annual "financial drive" to meet expenses for the ensuing year and to enrol new members. Many leading Chinese have headed teams to comb the city for membership and support, and in the next few days shops and offices will be visited by men for this purpose.

Mr. T. R. Parsons, Manager of the Hongkong Hotel Garage, who left for Home on Saturday, was the guest of the Chinese staff at a dinner at West Point prior to his departure. At this function, Mr. Parsons was presented with an address, accompanied by a silver tea service and a silver cigarette case, while Mrs. Parsons was the recipient of a silver hand-bag.

Mr. J. Whithead Dovey, of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., Shanghai, will give a lecture in the Union Church Hall this evening at 8 p.m. on the "Life and Times of Confucius." The lecture was originally prepared for the Asiatic Society in Shanghai at their request and is illustrated by an interesting set of lantern slides taken from the engravings on the stone tablets at Chu'fu, in Shantung, where the Sage was buried.

Included among the Hongkong passengers who left by the P. & O. s.s. *Devanha* on Saturday were the following:—Mr. H. S. Bennett, manager of the Hongkong Telephone Company, and Mrs. Bennett; Mr. P. W. Parker, assistant general manager of the Standard Oil Company of New York; Mr. T. R. Parsons, manager of the Hongkong Hotel Garage, and Mrs. Parsons; Mr. E. B. Cubey, of Taihook, secretary of Union Church, and Mrs. Cubey.

Mr. R. Sands, B.A., at present on the staff of St. Stephen's College, has accepted an offer to become Assistant Secretary to the Kowloon branch of the Y.M.C.A. Mr. Sands, who is a licensed Lay Reader at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, will take up his new duties in July. He takes a keen interest in work among young men, as has been demonstrated by his activity in this respect at St. Andrew's, and he will certainly be an acquisition to the European Y.M.C.A. at Kowloon.

A small fire, unattended by any serious damage, broke out in the engine-room of the steam-launch *Vancouver* while it was anchored off the Wo Tung coal-yard at Mongkok at 1.30 p.m. yesterday. The outbreak was quickly got under control and the fire rapidly extinguished by the prompt bringing into action of the hose of No. 5 Police Launch which was lying in close proximity at the time of the occurrence. Afterwards the *Vancouver* was towed to Yauwai by the Police launch. Very little damage was done.

A motor-car belonging to Mr. D. Templeton, Manager, Taihook Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., was slightly damaged yesterday as a result of an accident at Morrison Gap Road. A Chinese was driving the car from West to East, and just before arriving at No. 6 post he noticed a Chinese carrying a long timber pole on the left side of road. The driver immediately sounded his horn, and made to pass on the right of the man. The latter apparently tried to get further in to the left side of road to give the car plenty of space to pass in, but in doing so the pole swung around and went through the wind-screen of car. No one was injured.

GOVERNMENT TENDERS.

The Government is inviting tenders for a wireless transmitter building in the grounds of the Royal Observatory. Tenders are also being invited for the construction of a reinforced concrete and brick chemical house and six reinforced concrete rapid gravity filter beds with contingent works at Bowen Road.

CHINESE WEDDINGS.

TAN-LAU.

At St. John's Cathedral on Saturday, a pretty Chinese wedding took place the parties being Miss Rose Lau, daughter of Mrs. Siu Cheek Lau, and Dr. S. F. Tan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kwai Sing Tan, Huengshan. The Rev. T. B. Powell officiated.

The bride, who was given away by her uncle, was attired in a dress of white satin, ornamented with pearls. Besides an elaborate head-dress composed of real pearls, she wore a coronet, and a train of white satin trimmed with pearls and orange blossom. Her bouquet consisted of white roses tied with appropriate ribbons.

The Misses Irene To and Frances Lau, attired in dresses of rainbow colours, richly trimmed with silver lace, and carrying bouquets of pink roses, were the bridesmaids.

Miss Ila Lau, the bride's sister, acted as maid of honour. Mr. James Y. Lee as chief usher, and Mrs. T. H. Chen as matron of honour. There were in all twenty-six persons in the attendant train.

The bride's mother wore a mandarin coat of black satin and a red satin skirt, the former embroidered with pictures of birds, and the latter with gold flowers and pearls.

Mr. Chao Liang Tan, brother of the bridegroom, acted as "best man," and Messrs. Yuk Sing Young and Leung Shi Chan were groomsmen.

Mr. Frederick Mason was at the organ and fifty choristers of the St. Stephen's Girls' Choir, sang.

A reception at 84, Robinson Road, followed the Cathedral ceremony at which over two hundred friends of the young couple were entertained and a toast was proposed by Rev. T. B. Powell. In the evening the guests were again entertained at dinner after which a ball was held. During the dance the bride wore a beautiful gown of pale pink georgette, trimmed with silver lace, silver beads and roses, which was one of the presents from the bridegroom. One of the most attractive features in the bridal chamber was the bedspread and drappings of yellow satin, beautifully painted by Sister Ginny of the Italian Convent, the best piece of work she has ever done.

Dr. Tan and his bride will shortly be leaving for the North, his home being in Tientsin.

THE GIFTS.

The bride's gifts to the bridegroom included a large pearl pin, a set of jade dress buttons, cuff links, etc., and that of the bridegroom to the bride a diamond ring, diamond watch ring, valuable articles of apparel and jewelry. Included in the presents were ones from the bride's mother—A pair of diamond bracelets, large diamond ring, diamond brooch, pair of diamond necklaces, large pearl bracelet, Chinese dinner silver set, pair of jade bracelets and many other beautiful presents.

From the bride's uncle, Mr. Lau Yee Fong:—Opal necklace set alternately with genuine crystals and gold shield engraved with Chinese blissful sayings. From Mr. Lau Yick Cheuk, bride's uncle:—Large silver tea tray.

From Mr. Chu Shu Nam and Mrs. Lee, bride's uncle and aunt:—Silver tea set.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Sun, bride's uncle and aunt:—Large silver rose bowl and pair of beautiful jade earrings.

Mr. and Mrs. Sei Wing Leung, bride's sister and brother-in-law:—Silver tortoise shell dressing tablet set.

The bride's brothers and sisters:—Two French silver coffee sets and silver seasoning set.

Numerous presents were also received from the following friends of the happy couple:—Sir Shou Son and Lady Chow, Mr. and Mrs. Liang Shi Yi, Mr. and Mrs. Cheung Sum Woo, Mr. Li Chor Chi and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Yung, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Cheung, Mr. H. F. Yung, Dr. and Mrs. Wan Man Kai, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Woo, Mr. and Mrs. Liang Shiu Tung, Mr. and Mrs. Un Man Chuen, Mr. and Mrs. Un Lan Suen, Miss Un, Miss Sei Wai Shueung, Dr. and Mrs. Coxice To, Miss Middleton Smith, Rev. and Mrs. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wang, Messrs. F. C. Lee, K. Y. Wong, L. S. Chan, Dr. Huang and many others.

JEU-LAW.

At the Rhenish Mission, Bonham Road, on Saturday, Mr. Jen Tien Liang, son of Dr. and Mrs. Jau Hawk, was married to Miss Law Yuet Sin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Law Chun Sin. The Rev. Wong Oi Tong officiated.

The bridegroom received his education in America, where he underwent training as a military officer and also specialised in electrical engineering.

The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Law Yuet Yung, and a flower girl, little Miss Wong Fung Sin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Wong.

A banquet, which was largely attended by the young couple's relatives and friends was held on Saturday night at the Yee Woo Restaurant. Mr. and Mrs. Jau are shortly leaving for the North.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY.

On St. George's Day there will be a brief ceremony at the Cenotaph in the morning at 8.30.

For the concert in the evening the band of the East Surreys has been engaged and it is hoped that many of the Amateur Vocalists who so often delight Hongkong audiences, will contribute. In addition it is expected that the Male Voice Choir will be present to render some of the old English Glee which are such favourites items in their repertoire.

This is the last occasion for some time on which Hongkong will have an English Regimental Band on St. George's Day so let the most be made of it.

PEKING SITUATION.

EVACUATION OF KUOMINCHUN COMPLETE.

COMMITTEE OF CONTROL APPOINTED.

AWAITING THE ARRIVAL OF CHANG TSO LIN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, April 18th.

The Kuominchun (Nationalist Army), after evacuating Peking, have reached Nankow Pass, leaving only a few stragglers, but no guns or supplies.

The retreat was followed by heavy fighting. Rain increased the difficulties of the withdrawal, which marked the second stage of the Allied Chinese Generals' campaign.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CHIEF EXECUTIVE.

Tuan Chi Jui will issue a Mandate tomorrow saying that he is impelled to resume the responsibilities of Chief Executive pending the reconstruction of the Administration, with which he will not interfere, and stating his readiness to retire immediately a responsible head of the Government is elected.

The Allied Generals are expected in Peking tomorrow to confer regarding the general situation.

Marshal Chang Tso Lin has not yet entered Peking.

The city remains quiet.

WELL-ORGANISED EVACUATION.

LATER.

Contrary to the general fear, the Fengtien troops have up to the present made no attempt to enter the city, where complete order is being maintained.

The main body of Fengtien troops is said to be remaining at Tungchow, but one regiment was located outside Yungtingmen early this morning, and Fengtien cavalry detachments are patrolling the neighbourhood round up Kuominchun stragglers, a party of whom was captured this morning near Paomachang.

As a result of excellent staff work, virtually the whole of the Kuominchun had evacuated for Kalgan by four o'clock this morning.

General Tang Chi Tao, the Commander of the Ninth Division, is acting as Garrison Commander with one Brigade inside and one Brigade outside, which General Wang Shih Chen's Committee of Safety controls most effectively.

PARLIAMENT TO BE CONVENED.

PEKING, April 17th.

The Kuominchun's evacuation of Peking has been completed, and the Allies are entering the city to-day.

It is expected that Parliament will be convened immediately with Dr. W. W. Yen as Premier and Dr. Wellington Koo as Foreign Minister, but plans in this connection are subject to the approval of Marshal Chang Tso Lin.

CABLES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

DEBT CONVERSATIONS.

PARIS REQUEST A FURTHER POSTPONEMENT.

RUGBY, April 16th.

It was anticipated that M. Raoul Peret, the French Finance Minister, would visit London this week-end to discuss with the Chancellor of the Exchequer the points outstanding in the French debt settlement to Great Britain. The Chancellor, who is to make his annual Budget speech in Parliament on April 25th, desired to be in a position to incorporate in this statement specific references to this settlement. Unfortunately, a further deferment of the conversations has now been requested from Paris.

CANCER PROBLEMS.

DR. W. E. GYE REWARDED FOR HIS RESEARCH WORK.

RUGBY, April 16th.

At the quarterly meeting of the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons a prize of £100 was awarded Dr. William Ewart Gye in recognition of his work in advancing the knowledge of the pathology and therapeutics of cancer during the past five years.

The award was made in pursuance of a report from the Committee appointed to advise the Council in the matter, in which it was stated that "these experiments, pursued with great patience and assiduity over a long period and still in progress, suggest new and hopeful lines of attack upon the problem of the cause of a malignant disease. Though it cannot as yet be said that they have found a practical application they have already given to cancer research such a great stimulus and such new direction as to justify the Committee in recommending Dr. Gye for the prize."

THE COMMITTEE OF CONTROL.

SIX EX-PREMIERS ON IT.

LATER.

Six ex-Premiers, including Dr. Yen, are on a committee formed at the request of citizens to maintain order in Peking.

Five sub-committees have been appointed and four foreign advisers, including Sir Francis Aglen.

NATIONALIST COMMANDER OF PEKING DISMISSED.

LATER.

The Cabinet has dismissed the Nationalist commander, General Lu Chung Lin, from all his posts.

The Premier, Chia Teh Yao, has resigned, accusing himself of negligence in connection with the coup d'etat.

All gates of the city are at present closed, except the Yungtingmen, where officials, flanked by bands of honour await the arrival of Marshal Chang Tso Lin.

CABINET APPROVES CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S MANDATE.

PEKING, April 18th.

The Cabinet has met again and approved Tuan Chi Jui's mandate announcing his resumption of responsibilities pending a reconstruction of the Administration.

EXTRALITY COMMISSIONERS POSTPONE PROVINCIAL TOUR.

PEKING, April 18th.

Owing to the breakdown of communications the Extraterritoriality Commissioners have postponed indefinitely their projected provincial tour.

RUSSIA'S WARNING TO CHANG.

Moscow, April 18th.

The report from Mukden that the Manchurian authorities have declared they will not accept responsibility for the personal safety of M. Karakhan in the event of Chang Tso Lin's troops occupying Peking inspires a leader in the *Ispravnik* complaining that the responsibility cannot be avoided by such "one-sided declarations," and adds henceforth the Soviet Government place the fullest responsibility for the personal safety of their Ambassador upon the Mukden armies and Chang himself.

The paper concludes that the Soviet does not desire a quarrel with Mukden, but warns Chang not to forget that his dominions march with Russia's, and he has nothing to gain by a conflict with his neighbours.

ALL-STEEL TRAINS.

L.M.S. RAILWAY NEW ALL-BRITISH CARS.

RUGBY, April 16th.

A train constructed entirely of steel, travelled from London to Birmingham and back on the London, Midland and Scottish Railway. It carried representatives of the Dominions and others interested in this new departure.

The Railway is putting on its lines 235 steel-bodied cars. The floors of the cars are covered with cement and suitably insulated. They have the advantages of being more durable than wooden cars and of being safer in case of mishap. They are made with British material and by British labour.

WEATHER FORECASTING.

INTERESTING EXPERIMENT BEING MADE BY "DAILY MAIL."

LONDON, April 16th.

An interesting experiment in weather forecasting is being made by the *Daily Mail*.

This journal publishes to-day the first of a series of diagrams showing "expectations of rain or dry weather for a period of fifty days in five areas of the British Island. The diagrams have been prepared by Lord Dunboyne, who organised the Meteorological Department for the Naval Air Service, and who has been assisted by Mr. P. L. Thompson, another meteorological expert. They consist of a series of mathematical curves based on the behaviour of the weather during the past five years. Arguing from causes to effects, and with the help of the latest information from the Air Ministry, Lord Dunboyne produces predictions which he claims have so far met with notable success. The *Daily Mail* submit his prophecies to its readers to be judged on their merits and results.

PRINCE OF WALES.

RUGBY, April 16th.

The Prince of Wales left Paris this morning for Biarritz, where he will arrive this evening.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

REPORTED GRAECO-ITALIAN PACT.

TURKISH ARMY RESERVES AND RECRUITS CALLED UP.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 18th.

The Turks have taken a keen interest in Signor Mussolini's activities in Tripoli. Their anxiety concerning a reported Graeco-Italian pact, which the Italian Ambassador denies, has been followed by a proclamation calling to the colours all the Turkish Army reserves due for service this year, and also recruits hitherto exempted from service belonging to the previous classes.

THE SPANISH FLIGHT.

CALCUTTA, April 18th.

The Spanish aviators have arrived at Agra.

SUMMER TIME AT HOME.

LONDON, April 18th.

Summer time came into force at 2 o'clock this morning.

ESTEVEZ FOUND.

SUCCESSFUL END TO SEARCH FOR MISSING AVIATOR.

CAIRO, April 17th.

The Air Force has received a wireless message from Amman. "Aielot found." This is taken to mean that Estevez is alive but there is no mention of the mechanic.

Estevez was found alive and in fairly good health. Hitherto, there is no trace of the mechanic.

Capt. Estevez's mechanic has also been found alive.

MYSTERY HOW THEY SUBSISTED.

British Flying Officer Coghill found Estevez 40 miles from his machine, with feet blistered and slightly septic, but otherwise his condition was fair. He was conveyed by aeroplane to the nearest medical station.

The mechanic was found 25 miles from Estevez and will be similarly transported for attention, if his condition permit. It is still a mystery how both men subsisted.

SHIPPING PROBLEMS.

CONFERENCE OBJECT TO INTER-NATIONAL INTERFERENCE.

LONDON, April 18th.

The Shipping Conference here has adopted the British delegates' amended resolution on the League of Nations and International organization, recording its "grave concern" at the rapid growth and multiplication of international organizations representing Governments and other interests, as involving unnecessary interference with shipping activities; and opining that the League's activities should be limited to securing and maintaining the freedom of communications and transit and the equitable treatment of commerce. It is noteworthy that the American delegation did not vote on this resolution.

The conference unanimously adopted the report of the Committee on life-saving appliances and wireless, which, *inter alia*, recommended some penalty for the misuse of distress signals.

"JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS" BILL.

SECOND READING IN THE COMMONS.

LONDON, April 18th.

The House of Commons, by 222 votes to 3 has agreed to the second reading of the "Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Report)" Bill.

This is a private measure which the Government supported to forbid the publication of details calculated to injure public morals and only the salient particulars of divorce and similar proceedings will be permitted. The penalty is imprisonment not exceeding three months, or a fine not exceeding £500, or both.

THE COAL THREAT.

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION SUPPORT BRITISH MINERS.

BRUSSELS, April 16th.

The International Miners' Federation in session here has unanimously passed a resolution declaring that the only way of emerging from the international coal crisis was to examine the international system of production and distribution. It affirmed complete solidarity with the British miners in their present dispute and expressed readiness in the event of trouble, to take measures to prevent the exportation of coal to Britain and in the event of an international strike it would recommend that it not be discontinued before the National associations are satisfied that sufficient grounds for resuming work have been found in all countries involved in the conflict. The federation would act as a Strike Committee for all countries.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

PREMIER SEES KING.

RUGBY, April 16th.

Negotiations are proceeding to-day between the Minister of Labour, who is acting for the Premier, and the Coal Owners.

In the House of Commons this afternoon, the Home Secretary announced that the Premier had been summoned to Windsor by H.M. the King. It is understood that the object of the visit is to discuss the latest developments of the coal situation.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE IMPERIAL INSTITUTE.

SIR WILLIAM FURSE AND CEYLON RUBBER RESEARCH COMMITTEE.

LONDON, April 17th.

In an address to the Society of Arts, describing the work of the Imperial Institute, Sir William Furse stressed the desirability of extending the scope of the Ceylon Rubber Research Committee, at least to Malaya. He thought silk production could also be advantageously extended to several suitable parts of the Empire.

OFF TO RUSSIA.

BRITISH CONSERVATIVE M.P.'S TO INVESTIGATE CONDITIONS.

LONDON, April 17th.

The first party of Conservative members of the House of Commons to visit Russia since the Revolution, left for Russia this morning, namely Sir Frank Nelson, Mr. Robert Boothby, Captain Bourne and Lieut.-Colonel Moore, their object being completely to investigate conditions of life in Russia.

It is hoped that the enquiry will result in improvement in Anglo-Russian relations. The Soviet has promised the party, whose mission is described as "semi-official," an entirely free hand.

WOMEN'S DEMONSTRATION.

HUGE ANTI-STRIKE MEETING AT THE ALBERT HALL.

LONDON, April 17th.

The largest demonstration of women since the days of the Suffragettes, was carried out under the auspices of the Women's Guild of Empire to-day, when 20,000 marched from the city to the Albert Hall, to participate in an anti-strike meeting.

The gathering was composed of all classes of the community. A large proportion of the demonstrators reached the Metropolis by special trains and charabancs from Scotland, Wales and the provinces. There was some display of unsympathetic feeling.

LORD READING.

EX-VICEROY OF INDIA WELCOMED HOME.

LONDON, April 17th.

Lord Reading arrived in London from India, and was welcomed by representatives of the King, the Prime Minister and by Lord Birkenhead.

"TO SAVE THE FRANC."

DONATIONS TO VOLUNTARY FUND FLOWING IN.

PARIS, April 17th.

To save the franc, a campaign is in full swing. Donations to a voluntary fund to redeem the floating debt are flowing in from all sides, including 70,000 francs from the principality of Monaco and 10,000 from the French Football Federation.

AUSTRO-POLISH TREATY.

VIENNA, April 17th.

An Austro-Polish Arbitration Treaty has been signed, and will be valid for three years.

SERGEANT MURPHY DEAD.

BREAKS HIND LEG IN WEST SCOTLAND CHASE.

LONDON, April 16th.

The long and romantic career of the veteran steeple-chaser, Sergeant Murphy, tragically ended at Bogside to-day, when he skidded in the West Scotland chase and broke a hind leg. He had to be destroyed.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

AMERICAN NAVAL BASES.

\$20,000,000 ASKED FOR CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT.

WASHINGTON, April 17th.

Mr. Wilbur asked Congress to appropriate nearly twenty million dollars to construct and improve naval bases, half of which is destined for Pearl Harbour, Hawaii.

NEW YORK EXCHANGE.

NEW YORK, April 17th.

The yen soared to 46/93 cents to-day, while silver touched the lowest point in two years, due to heavy buying on the Exchange. Speculators believe the gold standard will be restored in Japan this year.

SUGAR RESTRICTION.

"N.Y. WORLD'S" NEATLY WORDED ATTACK ON MR. HOOVER.

NEW YORK, April 18th.

A neatly worded attack on Mr. Hoover appears in the *New York World*, which, in a leader headed "Bad in Malaya—Fine in Cuba" draws attention to the Cuban Government's action in curtailing the production of sugar for the next two years. The newspaper points out that the action is in accordance with advice which Hoover gave that Government three years ago, and is a contrast action with Hoover's "righteous indignation" when he condemned Governmental control of British rubber. It asks if Cuba is right in doing in sugar what Britain was wrong in doing with rubber, and if so, why? It further asks: Can it be that the methods which Hoover calls indefensible in Malaya are all right in Cuba when they work out to our own advantage?

SANITARY BOARD.

A QUESTION AND TWO MOTIONS BY DR. KOCH.

Dr. Koch has given notice of his intention to ask at to-morrow's meeting of the Sanitary Board, the following question:

"Will the Head of the Sanitary Department state what supervision is exercised over a small village in a deep bay under Villa Miramere in Pokfulam composed of squatters' huts which shows signs of rapid growth, and is at present in a most insanitary condition constituting a danger to the Dairy Farm, and a nuisance to the residences in the neighbourhood?"

SANITARY CONVENIENCES AT BATHING BEACHES.

Dr. Koch has given notice of his intention to move the following resolution:

"This Board would respectfully urge upon the Government the necessity that exists for the provision of Lavatories and sanitary conveniences at the Bathing Beach."

THE PRICE OF VACCINES, &c.

The following motion on the agenda also stands in the name of Dr. Koch:

"This Board respectfully requests that the Government will be pleased to revise and reduce the prices of Vaccines, Sera, Call Lymph and Antitoxins; and also the Fees for Blood examinations."

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

PROHIBITION BENEFITS.

LEADING CHURCHMEN HEARD BY THE ENQUIRY.

WASHINGTON, April 17th.

"Drys" in the persons of leading churchmen alone held the stage at to-day's prohibition inquiry. They unitedly testified to the benefits of prohibition and asserted that any modification of the law would tend to bring back saloons with the whisky interest dominating politics.

Physicians, for the "Drys," produced charts showing diminution of diseases associated with alcoholism and denied that the use of drugs had increased under prohibition, stating, on the contrary, that there had been a slight decrease.

BRITISH WATERS.

The United States Prohibition authorities are understood to be seeking an agreement which will permit American officials to search ships in British West Indian waters.

PROPOSAL FOR NEW LIQUOR TREATY.

NEW YORK, April 16th.

The Washington correspondent of the Associated Press says that a proposal for a new Liquor Treaty with Great Britain is being considered by the U.S. State Department.

COMMISSION FOR CHINA.

LATER.

It is understood that formal discussions are proceeding with Great Britain as regards a treaty to prevent the exportation of liquor thence to the United States. The State Department may send a Prohibition Commission to Great Britain including the Assistant Secretary, Mr. Andrews.

NOTED ECONOMIST'S VIEWS.

WASHINGTON, April 17th.

The noted Yale economist, Mr. Irving Fisher, testifying to the Prohibition Committee, supported Mr. Hoover, Judge Gary and other industrialists, emphasizing the great improvement in industrial efficiency since Prohibition. He estimated the nation was thereby saving six milliard of dollars annually.

STRIKE SETTLED.

U.S. TUG-BOAT MEN'S DEMANDS AGREED TO.

NEW YORK, April 16th.

Three thousand tow-boatmen, representing about half the eight hundred tow-boats operating in New York were ordered to strike last night for higher wages and a ten-hour day. Fears are expressed that some of the big liners will be delayed starting, as nearly all the tow-boats commonly used to assist them in and out of their berths are tied up.

NEW YORK, April 17th.

The tug-boat strike is settled, the companies granting a wage increase and shorter hours.

TACNA-ARICA DISPUTE.

MR. KELLOGG'S RECOMMENDATION TO CHILE AND PERU.

WASHINGTON, April 17th.

As mediator in the Tacna-Arica dispute, Mr. Kellogg will recommend to Chile and Peru, alternatively the two provinces be neutralized or transferred to a third South American country, upon equitable compensation.

It is understood that Mr. Kellogg is taking this line because neither Chile nor Peru are willing to surrender the disputed territory to the other and the idea of dividing it has been rejected.

BORDER TROUBLE FOLLOWS PROPOSAL.

BUENOS AIRES, April 16th.

Mr. Kellogg's proposal has produced excitement in South America.

A disturbance on the Peru-Bolivia frontier resulted in two deaths. The Peruvian Legation at La Paz has been stoned.

EUROPEAN'S MOTOR-CYCLE SMASH.

CHINESE DIES AS A RESULT OF ACCIDENT.

A serious motor-cycle accident, involving the death of a Chinese, who was apparently waiting for a tram, and necessitating the removal to hospital of the European rider of the machine, Mr. S. J. Squire, of No. 71, Wong Nei Chong Road, Happy Valley (who is employed in the constructional department of the Hongkong Electric Company, Ltd.), occurred at the Causeway Bay tram terminus on Saturday night.

It appears that Mr. D. E. Western, of No. 63, Wong Nei Chong Road, Happy Valley, (also employed by the Hongkong Electric Company, Ltd., in the meter department) was riding his motor-cycle, with Mr. A. F. Paul (of the generating stations, Hongkong Electric Co.) on the pillion, along Praya East towards Causeway Bay. The time was about ten minutes past nine, and when near Caroline Road, Causeway Bay tram terminus, he swerved to avoid a push bicycle which was being ridden towards him. In doing so, his machine knocked into the B.S.A. motor-cycle ridden by Mr. Squire, who was riding close to him at the time. Mr. Squire apparently lost control of his machine and ran into a Chinese, aged about 32 years, who was standing near the Causeway Bay shelter. The Chinese was removed to hospital seriously injured and died at 11.45 the same night.

Mr. Squire was also removed to hospital suffering from slight injuries, the exact nature of which could not be obtained, but are not thought to be serious. His motor-cycle was taken to the tramway shelter. The machine was not much damaged. The number-plate on the front mud-guard was broken and the mud-guard and wheel slightly buckled.

ST. DAVID'S DAY BANQUET IN LONDON.

SIR WILLIAM REES-DAVIES TOASTS "WALES."

Sir William Rees-Davies, the late Chief Justice of Hongkong, proposed the toast of Wales at the Welsh National banquet held at the Connaught Rooms, London, on St. David's Day. There was an attendance of 750 at the dinner and the principal guest was the Earl of Oxford and Asquith.

The Right Hon. J. H. Thomas, M.P., proposed the toast of the guest of the evening—described on the toast list as "Gwir Anrhydeddus Arlywydd Rhydyddien: ac Anrhydd, E.C.C. P.C."

Lord Oxford and Asquith, replying, said that in his early youth he was acquainted with Wales only as a delightful playground, with its mountains and sea coast. "Otherwise" it was to him—as it still remained to some Englishmen—a geographical or historical expression. It was in the early eighties, when he first entered the House of Commons, that he first came to know his dear and late lamented friend Tom Ellis—(cheers)—a pioneer of Welsh Nationalism, whose labours had borne such great fruits. (Cheers.) Lord Oxford recalled that Oliver Cromwell, whose real name some people declared was "Williams," certainly had a large infusion of Welsh blood.

And there were suspicious that the cradle of the illustrious family of Cecil was to be found somewhere among the mists and mountains of the Principality. (Laughter.) "From what I have seen, read, and know of Welshmen and of the Welsh nation," continued Lord Oxford, "there are two things which mark Wales out in a pre-eminent degree from other parts of the kingdom and Empire. The first is a strong and sometimes, if I may say so without offence, an aggressive sense of unity and independence against the rest of the world. The other is—and here I speak in the spirit of the candid friend—that within your own boundaries there is a large infusion of local patriotism. The object of the Welsh National movement is to strengthen the sense of unity and to counteract, and in time obliterate, the particularist tendency."

Lord Oxford mentioned, amid laughter, that to-day it was almost as expensive to travel from North Wales to South Wales as it was in the days of the Druids. That, he hoped, would soon be altered. The encouragement and wise direction of local patriotism within the ambit of larger unity was a secret which it was reserved to us to discover and turn to best uses. His earnest hope was that Wales would cultivate her own patriotic growth, and at the same time show that devotion to the Principality tended to promote the common life of the Empire at large. (Cheers.)

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

FOREST FIRES IN JAPAN.

FAMOUS SUMMER RESORT SUFFERS.

TOKYO, April 17th.

Forest fires broke out on the 14th inst. and spread to all the hills round Kobe, including the famous resort at Rokkasan. More than a thousand fire-fighters were mobilised, of whom two hundred were removed injured.

Two and a half thousand acres of the forest have already been burnt.

A later message says the fires were extinguished this morning.

LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET.

VOLUNTEERS AT THE UNIVERSITY.

On the University ground on Saturday, the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps defeated Mr. A. A. Rumjahn's XI. by 117 runs.

The Volunteers batted first and scored 178 for the loss of 4 wickets when they declared. A. W. Ramsay scored 50, J. C. Lylal 34, E. J. R. Mitchell 23, and E. C. Fincher (not out) 20.

The home team was dismissed for 50 runs, A. H. Rumjahn with 10, and A. A. Rumjahn, 15, being the only batsmen to reach double figures.

For the Volunteers, Parker took 2 wickets for 5 runs, and Wales, 6 for 35. Scores:—

VOLUNTEERS.

J. C. Lylal, b Currie...	38
A. W. Ramsay, run out...	50
H. Owen Hughes, b A. A. Rumjahn...	12
E. J. R. Mitchell, b Goodwin...	23
E. C. Fincher, not out...	20
S. Jex, not out...	3
Extras...	32
Total (for 4 wickets, dec.)...	178

H. C. Burgess, F. E. Lawrence, C. D. Wales, H. V. Parker, and G. R. Fullack did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

Goodwin	15	4	39	1
Balchatch	7	0	24	0
Gittens	5	0	39	0
A. A. Rumjahn	7	0	28	1
Currie	5	0	28	1

A. A. RUMJAHN'S XI.

A. H. Rumjahn, c Parker, b Wales	19
J. L. Youngs, c and b Lylal	9
F. Goodwin, run out	4
H. N. Balchatch, c Parker, b Wales	2
J. S. A. Currie, b Wales	0
A. A. Rumjahn, b Parker	13
S. A. Lemall, c Jex, b Wales	1
S. V. Gittens, c and b Parker	2
P. N. G. Jex, c Jex, b Wales	1
H. G. Hunt, not out	1
D. J. Anderson, b Wales	1
Extras	4
Total	50

Bowling Analysis.

Lylal	11	2	15	1
Wales	13.1	3	35	6
Parker	3	1	5	2

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

HONGKONG NEW R.F.C. WIN FROM ARMY TEAM.

On the ground, at King's Park, Kowloon, allotted to the New Hongkong Rugby Football Club, an Army XV. were defeated on Saturday by 27 points (4 goals, 1 penalty goal, 1 try) to 4 points (dropped goal).

The occasion was the christening of the ground, which it is confidently expected will be the scene of many classic Rugby matches in the future.

Though naturally the finishing touches have yet to be completed in the shape of a pavilion and buildings for the ground, man and his staff, opinion was unanimous among players and followers of the "handing over" that no better site could have been chosen. After the recent rains, the ground was naturally on the heavy side; but the main thing is that even in the direct season it is never likely to become baked and gravel rashes should be unheard of in the future.

The heavy margin in favour of the New H.K.R.F.C. is somewhat flattering to the home side as the play was always interesting to watch though at times somewhat rough.

G. P. Lammert, the Captain of the home side, scored two tries before the interval and another after change of ends when he dropped to back. Had he remained among the "threes" probably the scoring would have been still heavier against the Army team, which was much below strength and played one man short (Lt. Turner) until half-time, when Lt. Smith, R.G.A., was persuaded to fill the vacancy although he had never played Rugby.

THE GAME.

The Army defeated the Town end goal and held their opponents for the first 10 minutes, when Stephenson scored for the Club between the posts, Smith converting (5-0).

The game settled down at half-way for some minutes, until a solo effort by Gould nearly resulted in the Army scoring, Armstrong just touching down in time.

A minute later, Stephenson raised the Club's hopes by passing all his opponents except Macready.

The Club XV. now asserted themselves and after Wales had narrowly failed to obtain a dropped goal, Lammert got clear away from midfield and scored a try between the posts, which Smith converted (10-0).

The Army held their own for some minutes after this, but just before the interval, Lammert again crossed the line, Smith once more making no mistake with the kick (15-0).

THE SECOND HALF.

After the Army had had the better of the opening minutes, Miller started a movement which enabled Lammert to score his third try, and Smith his fourth goal (20-0).

After a period of even play the Army forwards forced the ball into the Club's twenty-five and Q.M.S. Rose dropped a splendid goal for the visitors, making the score (20-4).

(Continued on next column.)

YACHTING.

RACE FOR "LADIES" CUP.

At the R.H.K.Y.C. on Saturday, twelve boats competed in the race for the Ladies' Cup, presented by the competitors in the Ladies' Championship.

The course, which was a distance of 8.8 miles was from the Club to Lyman Beacon, Kowloon Rock, Channel Rocks, Club Line, Cust Rock Buoy and the finish at the Club.

All classes raced together, and there was some very good racing in a good wind. *Dorothea* of the Handicap Class won. *La Linda*, however, was unfortunately not winning. She did in fact come in nearly two minutes before *Dorothea*, but she had taken the last mark on the wrong hand, starboard instead of port, and had therefore transgressed one of the rules of the race.

Details of the race are as under:—

Boat	Finish	Corrected
<i>La Linda</i>	5.01	4.34.52
<i>Dorothea</i> (wins)	5.35	4.38.38
<i>Falton</i>	6.27	4.42.49
<i>Argilla</i>	8.36	4.45.32
<i>Alba</i>	10.21	4.50.33
<i>Gael</i>	10.21	4.51.21
<i>Blunose</i>	13.38	4.54.03
<i>Boojum</i>	13.38	4.54.50
<i>Starad</i>	13.38	4.57.06
<i>Why Winder?</i>	13.38	4.57.46
<i>Adle</i>	13.38	4.58.38
<i>Lola</i>	22.56	5.02.30

DISAPPOINTING RACE.

The race for the "Norseman" Cup yesterday was wholly disappointing. There was scarcely any wind, and of the five boats which entered, only one, *La Linda*, finished. The other boats abandoned the race. The course was a distance of 8.1 miles.

CLOSING CRUISE, LADIES' DAY AND ROWING. Next Saturday will be a great day at the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, it being fixed for the closing cruise, Ladies' Day and rowing events in addition.

An excellent programme has been arranged and a large number of visitors is expected. The programme comprises the usual races for ladies, a cruiser race, a race for submarine boats and the great annual rowing contest for the "Leveson Cup."

For the premier rowing event of the year six crews have already entered, and there is the possibility that there will be a seventh entry, which will make a record number of entries for this event. The crews entered are H.M. Submarines, Public Works Department, Asiatic Petroleum Co., Shewan, Tomes & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, and the Hongkong Electric Company. The probable other entry is from H.M.S. *Troquois*, who are somewhat out of practice, but hope to be able to come up to scratch in time for the event.

For the last two years the crews from H.M. Submarines have been first past the post, although last year the P.W.D. were awarded the Cup on a foul. All the crews this year are again showing the utmost keenness and interest in the event.

The following is the draw for the heats in Saturday's race:—1st heat: Shewan, Tomes, the A.P.C. and the Bank crews; 2nd heat: P.W.D. and the Electric Co. The A.P.C. who are rather fancied to win the final, are expected to win the first heat and the P.W.D. will start favourites in the second heat; but the Electric are also showing fine form. Following the two heats, there will be the final with four boats in it.

On Wednesday, the fifth bi-annual race for the "Trevesa" trophy will be decided, and should prove a good contest.

BILLIARDS AT SHANGHAI.

CLAUDE FAULKNER'S 496 BREAK.

According to Shanghai papers, Mr. Claude Faulkner, an English billiards expert, who is shortly coming to Hongkong, gave a wonderful exhibition against Mr. R. C. N. Johnson, the Shanghai champion, at the Town Hall, Shanghai, on Saturday, April 10th.

The game was of 800 up, and Mr. Faulkner went out in just six visits, his scores being: 0, 183, 3, 120, 274, and 495.

The last break of 495, was something quite beyond anything ever seen in the Northern port. It took Mr. Faulkner well over the 800 required to win. His average for the evening was 130. He also scored over 1,000 within an hour, his total being 1,051, while the Shanghai champion scored 14.

Two minutes later, Beveridge scored another try for the Club. Miller took the kick and from a difficult angle just failed to score, the ball hitting the bar (22-4).

A free-kick to the Club enabled Hudson to obtain a penalty goal and the final whistle sounded with the score:— Club 27 points. Army 4 points.

THE TEAMS:—

N.H.K.R.F.C.—H. J. Armstrong (back); E. C. Hudson, L. P. Ralph, J. Morrison, G. P. Lammert (three-quarters); L. E. Wales, B. S. Stephenson (halves); E. Miller, W. L. Smith, M. L. Garrard, W. Beveridge, J. Fyfe, L. R. Billingham, R. A. Jardine, B. MacIntyre (forwards).

Army—Major Macready (back); Lt. Sugden, Q.M.S. Rose, Lt. Jacobs-Larson, Lt. Taylor (three-quarters); Capt. Howard, Lt. Aucott (halves); Capt. Drake-Brockman, Capt. Johnstone, Lt. Gould, Lt. Coates, Lt. Smith, Lt. Finch-Whyte, Lt. Campbell, Lt. Jackson (forwards).

Referee.—C.P.O. Poole, R.N.

Touch-Judges.—Lt. Upson, R.N., Mr. Hugh-Jones.

"DOUBTING THOMAS."

THE LAYMAN'S DIFFICULTIES EXAMINED.

[BY THE REV. G. R. ARROWSMITH.

[Ed. Note:—The obviously sincere article contributed to the "Daily Press" of April 15th by "A Man in the Pew" under the heading, of "A Doubting Thomas; the layman's difficulties and the Cathedral," has aroused a considerable amount of interest, and we have received a number of letters upon the subject. We cannot open our columns to anything in the nature of a religious controversy, but we feel that an occasional article upon questions which are usually confined strictly to the pulpit would serve a useful purpose and prove acceptable to our readers. In that belief we have pleasure in publishing the following notes of a recent sermon by the Rev. G. R. Arrowsmith, of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, which, in a way, perhaps, answers some of the questions raised by our previous contributor.]

It is to be feared that a great deal of the religious doubt in the world is not as sincere as that of St. Thomas; he wanted to believe but couldn't, whereas many present-day doubters can believe but they don't want to. "The fool has said in his heart, there is no God"; yes, he may say it, but very often he is not such a fool as really to think it.

There are many people who disbelieve simply because they will not take the trouble to think things out for themselves: they are pleased to call themselves "free-thinkers," and if the term implies "free from thinking" it is in certain cases very apt! It is this insincerity of many unbelievers that is so objectionable: They will say, "I don't believe in a God of love" one minute, and then, when danger or disaster threatens, they will be ready to fall on their knees and cry for help to that God of love whom, before, they refused to recognise.

One moment they say, "I don't believe in the supernatural," and the next moment they will be invoking its power. They are like derelict ships drifting hither and thither, driven by every wind; their anchor of faith has grappled neither atheist creed with its negations, nor Apostles' Creed with its positive assurances.

No man deserves the title of infidel so little as those to whom it has been usually applied," says Colton. "Let anyone of those who renounce Christianity write fairly down in a book all the absurdities that they believe instead of it, and they will find that it requires more faith to reject Christianity than to embrace it."

STUDY NATURE'S MARVELS.

Those who doubt the reality of a God should make a closer study of the world and the universe of which it forms a part. As we look at nature's marvels can we not trace a governing mind that directs and controls them? Let the man who disbelieves in any deity take up astronomy as a hobby, and he will soon find his atheism wearing thin! "Astronomy," says Huxley in one of his lectures, "leads us to contemplate phenomena, the very nature of which demonstrates that they must have had a beginning, and that they must have an end." That is to say there must have been an author, an originator of the phenomena: there was a reasoning mind at work, a mighty intellect devising ways and means—and to that infinite wisdom we give the name "God."

VALUE OF FIRST-HAND KNOWLEDGE.

But perhaps our doubts are not of this kind. We readily assent to the existence of a benign and over-ruling Deity, but it is some of the features of the religion connected with that Deity that perplex us. We have heard attacks made against them, and they have unsettled our faith, and made us feel that Christianity is an outgrowth of delusion. "To all such I would say do not trust to hearsay evidence only but have first-hand knowledge for yourself."

There are some who yield to attacks on the Bible who have never made a serious study of it for themselves: there are some who doubt the efficiency of prayer, who have never really prayed; there are some who deny the historical fact of Christ, who have never studied history. If you are going to act on the advice of a man who lays down the law, it is well to study the law first and to make sure that he has studied it too. Many people make the most astounding statements that are backed up by the faintest knowledge, like a man, I have heard of, who, on recovering from an operation for appendicitis, said confidently to his Vicar, "I know now that Christianity is false." "Indeed," said the cleric, "and pray, why?" "Because of the appendix," said the other grandly. "Surely, my dear sir, you know that science tells us that the appendix is a rudimentary tail, thus corroborating Darwin's theory that man has descended from the ape!" Poor fellow! In his case a little knowledge was a dangerous thing—he had not realised that the appendix is an intestinal cul-de-sac and not an elongation of the spinal column!

Read science before daring to act as its mouthpiece; yes, and be an experimenter in religion before presuming to criticise it or accept the criticisms of others as true. If a man has made a genuine study of the Bible he has a right to discuss it, but if he has merely stored his mind with the windy assertions of this or that free-thinker, and left the book itself severely alone, he stamps the word "insincere" over every doubt, and makes it difficult for any outsider to believe in the reality of his unbelief.

HONEST DOUBT.

But presuming our doubts are not of this insincere sort, what then? *Fears of all do not worry.* There are some sensitive souls who will work themselves up into a fever of spiritual anxiety if they cannot assent to every article of belief, and wonder if, in consequence, they can call themselves Christian at all. The example of St. Thomas should cheer all such, for he was an apostle in spite of his doubts.

Honest doubting is nothing to be ashamed of provided it spurs a man on to seek the truth until he finds it; but he who is content to sit down under his doubt, and make no effort to dispel it, is developing an inward atheism that may later lead him to deny God altogether.

And then, in the second place, do not exaggerate your doubts and think that there are many more than there are. Some honest doubters have more true faith than many a professing Christian; it was for this reason Tennyson wrote:—

"Perplex in faith, but pure in deeds
At last he beat his music out,
There lives more faith in honest doubt,
Believe me, than in half the creeds."

Do not turn your back on Christ because you cannot believe every theological dogma or every clause of the thirty-nine Articles. It is possible to live the "overcoming life" in Christ's strength even though you cannot say "Amen" to every answer in the Shorter Catechism.

THE HEART AND THE HEAD.

One other suggestion. He who doubts would do well to examine his life and see whether his scepticism is due to the intellect or to the heart. "Atheism is a disease of the soul before it becomes an error of the understanding," says Plato, and his philosophy in this particular is in agreement with that of the Bible, for we read there that it is from the heart that all evil things proceed. It is quite likely that our want of faith finds its source there rather than in the mind.

Many a man could believe in the truth of religion if his brain alone was taken into account; but unfortunately the heart has something to say in the matter, and the heart, in its natural state, has a bias towards evil; it prefers the lower to the higher, and because it wants to adhere to that which is wrong it willfully blinds the mind to that which is right.

Whenever you hear a man talk loudly against religion, there is always a very strong suspicion that you are listening to the voice of passion rather than to that of reason. Julius Caesar's dictum, "men are fain to believe what they wish," is true and is specially applicable to things religious. If we wish to sin, it naturally follows that we do not wish to accept a faith that condemns our sin, and it is not long before the desire to do evil clouds the intellect and distorts the mental vision.

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MR. A. M. CARLISLE'S EVENTFUL LIFE.

Mr. A. M. Carlisle, a Privy Councillor, and formerly managing director of Messrs. Harland and Wolff, the Belfast shipbuilders, died suddenly in London recently.

He was a brother of Viscountess Pirrie. Mr. Carlisle was a friend and intimate of many crowned heads. Only a few weeks after he came back from a visit to the ex-Kaiser at Doorn, he informed a newspaper representative, before his death that "he was ready to die at any moment."

"The prospect of death does not worry me at all," he said, "and I am not afraid. I have had a long life and a happy one, and if I die, I die."

He was at one time a very wealthy man, for as one of the greatest constructional engineers of the day he was general manager of Harland and Wolff's. He designed many White Star ships, including the ill-fated *Titanic*.

He was made Privy Councillor by King Edward VII. in 1907, and was a well-known Ulster yachtman before he came to London. Here he lived a very Bohemian life, and in his last days had scrapped his Rolls-Royce car for an ordinary push bicycle.

SCENE IN THE LORDS RECALLED.

Some five years ago he created a sensation in the House of Lords by shouting a protest against the Restoration of Order in Ireland Bill, from the steps of the Throne, which led to his being debarred the Privy Councillor's privilege of admittance to the steps of the Throne for the future.

He was *persona grata* with the ex-Kaiser, and met him on many occasions, the most notable being after the famous supper-party at Ehrenforde, after the Kiel Regatta, when he occupied a seat

at the Emperor's table along with Prince Henry of Prussia and Mr. Pierpoint Morgan.

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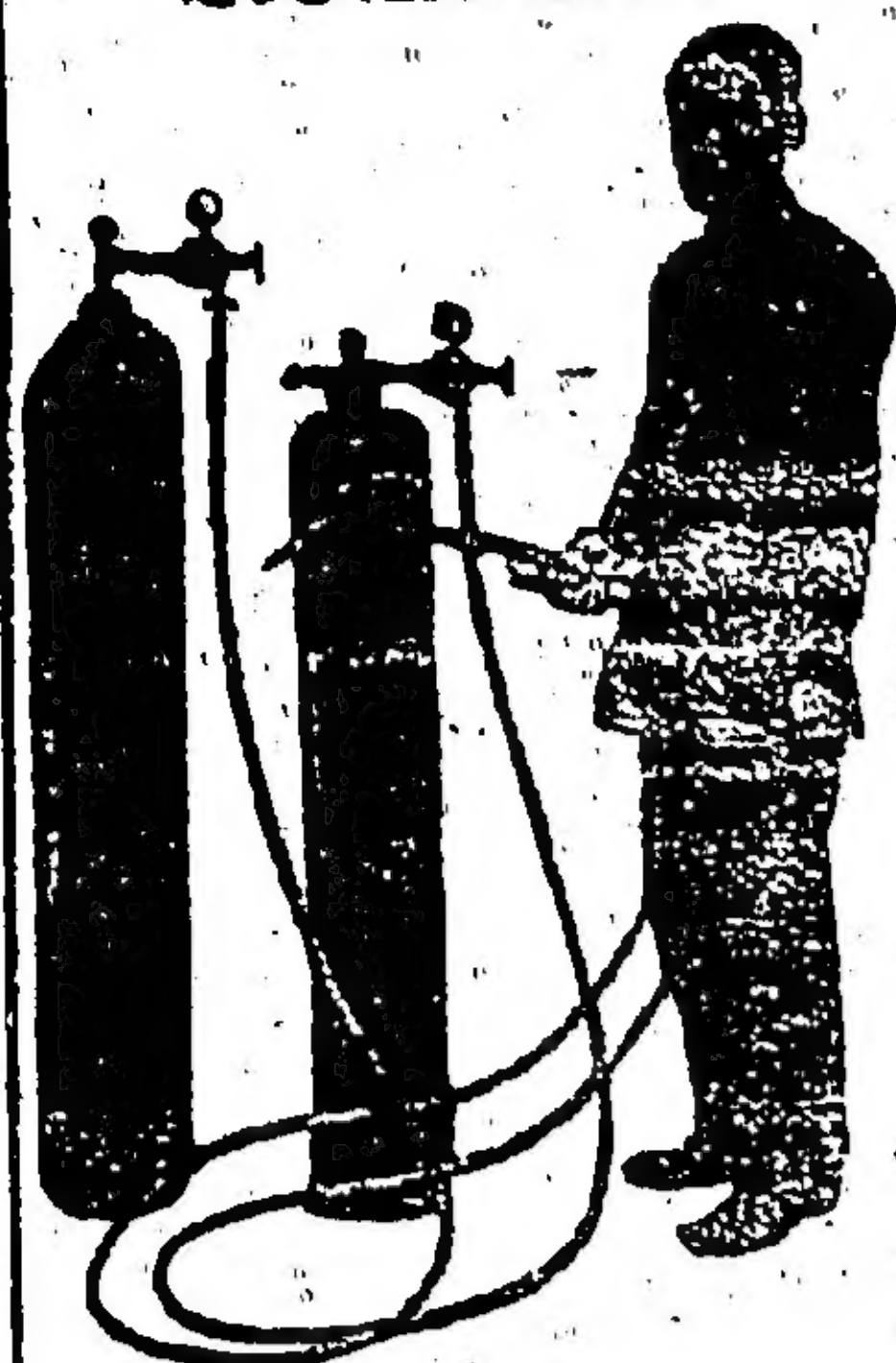
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THE "PRESIDENT" FLEET.

MR. STANLEY DOLLAR'S BID
ACCEPTED.

Cabled advice has been received by the
local offices of the Admiral Oriental Line
to the effect that the United States Ship-
ping Board had accepted the bid of the
stockholders in the Company, made
through Mr. Stanley Dollar, for the pur-
chase of the five President boats now
operating in the Far East. No details
were given in the cable of the financial
arrangements.

The five vessels involved are those
which first came to the Orient in April
1921 under the flag of the Pacific S.S.
Company and were respectively named
Tenathee, Silver State, Keystone State,
Pine-tree State and Bay State.

About a year later, when the Company
was reformed the Admiral Oriental Line,
the vessels became respectively the *Presi-
dent Jefferson, Jackson, McKinley, Grant*
and *Madison* and these have been operat-
ing since, together with approximately
12 freighters, all leased from the Ship-
ping Board.

The group interests which comprise the
Admiral Oriental and Dollar Line now
operate the entire President fleet in the
Far East, the latter company having
taken over from the Pacific Mail S.S.
Co., in May of last year, the *President*
Pierce, Taft, Wilson, Lincoln, and
Cleveland, running out of San Francisco.
The entire fleet numbers 17, of which
seven are employed in the round world
service under the Dollar flag, the same
company running a service of freighters
from Manila to Whampoa, while they are
agent principals of the Pioneer Line,
running between Pacific and Atlantic
ports via the Panama Canal.

With the disposal of the "Lake" boats,
the interests of the U.S. Shipping Board
in Far Eastern waters are confined to
the Columbia Pacific S.S. Company, and
the service which is maintained by
Struthers and Barry between the Pacific
and Manila. In response to the adver-
tisement of the Shipping Board, last
February the only bid forthcoming was
from Stanley Dollar, one of \$3,000,000,
but the terms were not fully complied
with. The Shipping Board required that
the purchasers should supply a \$1,000,000
bond to maintain a schedule of 17 sail-
ings a year for a period of five years.

The Round-the-World Presidents were
purchased on similar conditions, but in-
stead of 17 sailings the Dollar fleet has
maintained 23 per year. Negotiations
were not concluded and the Shipping
Board again asked for bids, which were
to be in hand by April 8th. Failing de-
tails, it is to be assumed that the Dollar
interests have repeated their offer and
this, after consideration by the Shipping
Board, has been accepted. The price will
in all probability be found to be that al-
ready named, approximately \$3,000,000.

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Temperature	71	71	68	
Humidity	83	98	89	
Wind Direction	Eas.	Eas.	Calm	
Force	3	0	0	
Weather	OR	OM	OR	
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.03	

Highest open-air Temperature on 17th ... 72

Lowest open-air Temperature on 18th ... 69

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From April 19th to 25th, 1926.

Days of Week	Days of Month	High Water		Low Water	
		H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.	H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.
Mon.	19	h. m. ft. in.	h. m. ft. in.	h. m. ft. in.	h. m. ft. in.
		1 8 4 3	10 7 2 0	1 10 4 3	10 7 2 0
Tues.	20	1 8 4 3	10 7 2 0	1 10 4 3	10 7 2 0
		2 14 4 6	11 21 4 0	2 14 4 6	11 21 4 0
Wed.	21	2 14 4 6	11 21 4 0	2 14 4 6	11 21 4 0
		4 9 4 5	10 14 4 3	4 9 4 5	10 14 4 3
Thurs.	22	4 9 4 5	10 14 4 3	4 9 4 5	10 14 4 3
		5 41 4 8	10 5 4 8	5 41 4 8	10 5 4 8
Fri.	23	5 41 4 8	10 5 4 8	5 41 4 8	10 5 4 8
		6 39 4 5	10 41 4 3	6 39 4 5	10 41 4 3
Satur.	24	6 39 4 5	10 41 4 3	6 39 4 5	10 41 4 3
		7 21 4 5	1 26 4 3	7 21 4 5	1 26 4 3
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Hongkong, 12th April, 1926. [3433]

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS, LTD.

FROM MIDDLESBRO, ANTWERP,
LONDON AND STRAITS.

The Steamship "BENBINSSES."

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby inform-
ed that all Goods are being landed at
their risk into the Godowns and/or extra
hazardous Godowns of the HONGKONG
AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO.,
Ltd., whence, and/or from the wharves
Delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after the 21st instant, will be
subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be
presented to the Underigned on or before the
5th May, 1926, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 21st instant, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.
Agents.

Hongkong, 14th April, 1926. [3441]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER
"PERLIN."

Arrived Hongkong on 17th April, 1926.

From ANTWERP, LONDON, GIBRALTAR,
MARSEILLES, MALTA, PORTSAID,
ADEN, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel are hereby informed
that their Goods are being landed and
placed at their risk in the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's
Godowns at Kowloon, where each Consignment
will be sorted out Mark by Mark and Delivery
can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be loaded here unless
Instructions have been given to the con-
signee six hours before arrival of the Steamer.
Goods not cleared within 8 days, including
late of arrival will be subject to Rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in
any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and
the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard
& Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Mondays and
Thursdays, within the Free Storage Period.

All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-
sented to the Underigned on or before
7th May, 1926, or they will not be
recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns.

MAKINSON, MAKENZIE & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1926. [3456]

HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE.

The Steamship "SAARLAND"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are
hereby notified that all Goods are being
landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or
extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.,
whence and/or from the wharves, Delivery
can be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after 18th April, 1926,
will be subject to Rent.

All Claims must reach us by 20th April,
1926, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged Packages will be examined by
Messrs. Goddard & Douglas (Marine
Surveyors) at 10 a.m. on 17th April,
1926.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JEBSEN & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong.

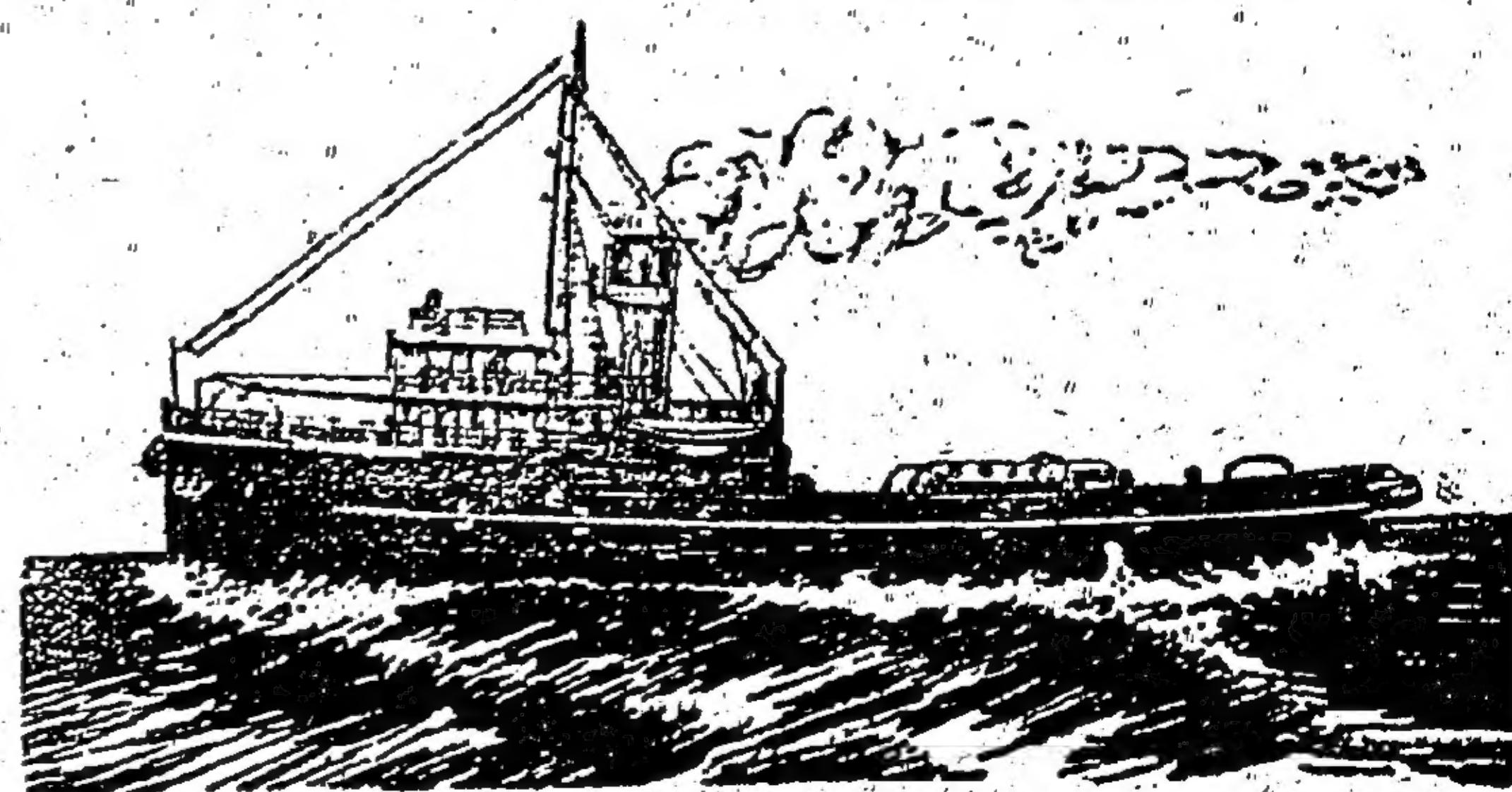
Hongkong, 18th April, 1926. [3436]

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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS.

April 18th.
Atlantic, Norwegian str., 4,231 tons, Capt. L. Halvorsen, from Batoum, which port she left on April 10th, with benzine and paraffin, lying at Stonecutters—Asiatic Petroleum Co.
Cheung, British str., 1,250 tons, Capt. Y. Hardie, from Shanghai, which port she left on April 13th, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters—B. & S.
Kureyung, British str., 1,588 tons, Capt. G. Byers, from Bangkok, which port she left on April 9th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B13—B. & S.
Lat Vega, American str., 3,302 tons, Capt. J. W. Wilkie, from Manila and Cebu, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A24—Columbia-Pacific S.S. Co.
Ookkerk, Dutch str., 5,092 tons, Capt. J. H. H. Gunthor Mohr, from Shanghai, which port she left on April 13th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A3—J.C.J.L.
Tacoma, British str., 4,230 tons, Capt. K. Ashwin, from Haiphong, in ballast, lying at Laichikok—Standard Oil Co.
Tacoma, Japanese str., 5,642 tons, Capt. J. Kojima, from Bombay and Singapore, the latter port she left on April 10th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A27—O.S.K.

April 17th.

Haitchong, British str., 1,267 tons, Capt. A. H. Stewart, from Singapore, which port she left on April 11th, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
Kureyung, British str., 1,588 tons, Capt. L. L. Williams, from Atterp and Singapore, the former port she left on February 21st and the latter on April 13th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.
Kureyung, Japanese str., 1,549 tons, Capt. S. Sato, from Formosa, Amoy and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at O.S.K. Wharf—O.S.K.
Maji Maru, Japanese str., 3,757 tons, Capt. T. Fujita, from Yokohama and Moji, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.
Perma, British str., 4,638 tons, Capt. O. Siggers, from London and Singapore, the former port she left on February 27th and the latter on April 11th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.
Preston, Norwegian str., 713 tons, Capt. H. B. Thorbjørnsen, from Saigon, which port she left on April 11th, with a cargo of rice, lying at No. C13—K. Larsen & Co.
Tykenburg, Dutch str., 5,028 tons, Capt. P. Leno, from Batavia, which port she left on April 10th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A3—J.C.J.L.
Ungjima Maru No. 16, from Macao, lying at buoy No. C41.
Wang Hong, British str., 2,671 tons, Capt. E. Jones, from Penang and Hongkong, with a cargo of firewood, lying at buoy No. B21—Kuen Sang S.S. Co.

CLEARANCES.

April 17th.
Apney, for Amoy.
Chinhu, for Bangkok.
Kureyung, for Swatow.
Kureyung, for Shanghai.
Kureyung, for Kobe.
Lat Vega, for Manila.
Ookkerk, for Shanghai.
Perma, for Shanghai.
Tacoma, for Shanghai.
Tone Maru, for Takao.
Turbo, for Tarakan.
Kuen Sang, for Moji.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

The following vessels are in Dock:—
Kowloon Dock—Pusset, Vigilante, Changhe, Hin Sang, Purgura.
Takao Dock—Adna, Kiangchow, Takao Wany.
At Kowloon Bay—Sun On.
At Plover Cove—Pong Tong, Lok Sun.

HONGKONG SHIPPING.

The week-end shipping statement showed that the number of vessels in the harbour on Saturday at 9 a.m. was 60, of which 33 were British; while at the same hour yesterday the number of vessels in harbour was 57, of which 28 were British.

For the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. on Saturday ten vessels arrived, viz., five British, one Dutch, one American and three Japanese. The departures during the same period came to fifteen, with six clearances. During the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday nine vessels arrived, viz., seven British and two Norwegian. The departures during the same period came to thirteen, namely, eleven British, one American and one Japanese.

CARGO ENTERED.

(During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. Yesterday.)
For Hongkong 6,586 tons.
For ports beyond 39,373
Total 45,959

(During previous 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. on Saturday.)
For Hongkong 12,436 tons.
For ports beyond 16,731
Total 29,167

Of the cargo entered for Hongkong on Saturday, 9,374 tons was carried in British vessels. The heaviest entry made over the period was one of 6,586 tons, with the next best being 2,688 tons and 2,200 tons, the latter entry being by a British steamer. Of cargo for ports beyond, the heaviest entry was 6,207 tons, while the other four entries were also of four figures, including two of over 3,000 tons each. Included in yesterday's entries of cargo for ports beyond was one of 1,851 tons of benzine.

SHIPPING NOTES.

At the Marine Court on Saturday, before Lieut. Commander G. E. Hole, R.N., the master and three mistresses of cargo boats were each fined \$5, with the alternative of five days' hard labour for using drag of grapplings for lifting things from the bed of the harbour, without the written permission of the Harbour Master.

The master of the s.s. *Ching* (British) from Singapore, reported to the Harbour Office yesterday that during the voyage there was one death on board from consumption.

The total number of deck passengers entered for the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. on Saturday was 231.

A notice to Mariners, issued by the Maritime Customs, Marine Department, Shanghai, states that the Flata Light-buoy, marking the northern side of the fairway in the South Channel entrance to the Yangtze River will be withdrawn on or about May 5th.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. s.s. *Kalyan* left Shanghai for this port on the 16th at noon, and is due here on the 19th (to-day), at about 6 a.m.
The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* arrived at Nagasaki on April 16th at 5 p.m., left on April 17th at 2 a.m., and was due at Shanghai yesterday (Sunday). She leaves Shanghai to-day at 1.30 p.m. and is due at Hongkong on Wednesday, April 21st.
The Blue Funnel liner *Persoon*, arrived at London on April 15th; *Protadius* at Vancouver on April 13th; *Euryades* arrived at Boston on April 13th.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Ceylon (Swedish East Asiatic), due May 12th.
Empress of Asia (C.P.R.), due April 21st.
Sunatra, due April 23rd.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONGKONG.

FOR APRIL, 1926.

(STANDARD TIME OF THE 120TH MERIDIAN, EAST OF GREENWICH.)

Date	Sunrise	Sunset
April 19th	6.01 a.m.	6.45 p.m.
" 20th	6.00	6.46
" 21st	5.59	6.46
" 22nd	5.58	6.46
" 23rd	5.57	6.46
" 24th	5.57	6.47
" 25th	5.56	6.47
" 26th	5.55	6.47
" 27th	5.55	6.48
" 28th	5.54	6.48

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T/S "SAARLAND" on or about 20th May, "
M/V "VOGTLAND" on or about 21st June, "

SAILINGS FOR SHANGHAI AND JAPAN:—

M/V "VOGTLAND" (DUE FROM EUROPE) on or about 11th May, 1926.
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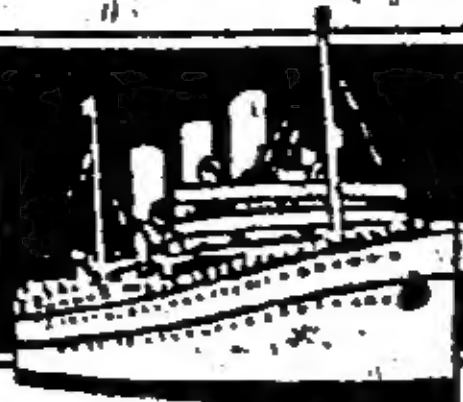
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EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	May 23	May 31	June 3	June 5	June 14
EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA	June 11	June 14	June 18	June 19	June 30
EMPRESS OF ASIA	June 24	June 27	June 30	July 2	July 12
EMPRESS OF CANADA	July 7	July 12	July 15	July 17	July 26
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	July 22	July 25	July 28	Aug. 1	Aug. 9
EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA	Aug. 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 11	Aug. 14	Aug. 23
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Aug. 19	Aug. 22	Aug. 25	Aug. 27	Sept. 6
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Sept. 3	Sept. 5	Sept. 8	Sept. 11	Sept. 20
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Sept. 16	Sept. 19	Sept. 22	Sept. 25	Oct. 4

(E/Asia and E/Russia call at Nagasaki the day after departure from Shanghai.)

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May 6	May 8	May 9	May 11

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Freight and Express: Tel. C. 42. Cables: NAUTILUS.



SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

SAN FRANCISCO via Shanghai, Japan Ports & Honolulu.
SIBERIA MARU Wednesday, 21st April.
SIBERIA MARU (omit Honolulu) Tuesday, 4th May
SOUTH AMERICA via Japan, Honolulu, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.
ANYO MARU Tuesday, 20th April
BOKUYO MARU Saturday, 29th May
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore & Ports.
HAKUSAN MARU Saturday, 24th April
KITAYAMA MARU Saturday, 8th May
HARUNA MARU Saturday, 22nd May
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.
AKI MARU Wednesday, 21st April
MISHIMA MARU Wednesday, 19th May
NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.
TSUYAMA MARU Monday, 19th April
TORIWA MARU Tuesday, 11th May
BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town, Delagoa Bay & Algoa Bay.
KANAGAWA MARU Wednesday, 28th April
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
TAMBA MARU Friday, 16th April
MURBAN MARU Friday, 30th April
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
MOJI MARU Sunday, 18th April
HAKATA MARU Friday, 30th April
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
MISHIMA MARU Friday, 13rd April
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
DELAGO MARU Sunday, 16th April
KAMO MARU Tuesday, 20th April
NAGANO MARU Thursday, 22nd April
OSAKA MARU Tuesday, 27th April
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AMAZON	20th Mar., 1926	27th Apr., 1926	27th Apr., 1926
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TSINGTAO via SHANGHAI	"YATSEING"	Wednesday, 21st April, at Noon
BANGKOK	"HOPSANG"	Wednesday, 21st April, at 3 p.m.
TIENSIN	"CHEONGSHING"	Saturday, 24th April, at Noon
KORE via MOJI	"LAISANG"	Tuesday, 27th April, at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAO via SHANGHAI	"TINSANG"	Wednesday, 28th April, at Noon
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"KUTSANG"	Wednesday, 28th April, at 3 p.m.
KORE via SHANGHAI & MOJI	"SUISANG"	Thursday, 29th April, at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"YUENSANG"	Thursday, 29th April, at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG"	Saturday, 15th May, at Noon

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*"FRANKEN"	19th June, " "	" "
*"FULDA"	15th July, " "	22nd August, " "
*"CREFELD"	12th August, " "	18th September, " "
*"TRIER"	11th September, " "	16th October, " "
*"SAARBRUECKEN"	9th October, " "	13th November, " "
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TJISONDAH	S'HAL & AMOY	20th "	22nd "	BATAVIA
TJIKINI	JAPAN	22nd "	26th "	BATAVIA
TJIKARANG	BATAVIA	24th May	28th May	SHANGHAI
TJIKEMBANG	SHANGHAI	3rd "	6th "	BATAVIA
TJISALAK	JAVA & M'KAR	3rd "	6th "	SHANGHAI & DALNY
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"MACEDONIA"	11,089	1st May, Noon	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	9,006	15th May	Marseilles, London, Antwerp and Hull.
"PERIM"	7,948	20th May	Singapore, Penang and Colombo.
"MALWA"	10,941	28th May	Marseilles & London.
"KRYBER"	9,114	12th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"MANTUA"	10,992	26th June	Marseilles and London.
"KARNATA"	9,123	10th July	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"RANPUJA"	16,585	24th July	Marseilles & London.
"DELTA"	8,097	7th Aug.	Marseilles, London, and Antwerp.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	21st Aug.	Marseilles and London.
"KALYAN"	9,144	4th Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"MALWA"	10,941	18th Sept.	Marseilles & London.
"KASHGAR"	9,006	2nd Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.

Frequent connections from Port Said for Passengers and Cargo to Constantinople, Piraeus, Smyrna, and other Levant Ports by steamers of the Khedivial Mail Steamship Co.

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"TILAWA" 10,000 25th April Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.
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"ST. ALBANS" 4,500 4th May Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island,
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 The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

Steamship.	Tons.	From Hongkong	Destination.
"TALMA"	10,000	23rd April	Kobe.
"GAMBHIRA"	5,257	24th April	Shanghai.
"KHYBER"	9,114	24th April	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
"TANDA"	6,900	24th May	Shanghai.
"MALWA"	10,941	14th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,992	28th May	do.
"PADU"	9,907	30th May	Shanghai and Kobe.
"KARNATA"	9,085	11th June	do.
"DELTA"	8,097	11th June	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	13th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	9,006	25th June	Shanghai only.
"RANPUJA"	16,585	2nd July	Shanghai Moji & Kobe.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	22nd July	do.
"KALYAN"	9,144	5th Aug.	do.
"MALWA"	10,941	19th Aug.	do.
"KASHGAR"	9,006	2nd Sept.	do.
"MOREA"	10,918	16th Sept.	do.

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.
 WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY FITTED ON ALL STEAMERS.
 *Passengers for Rangoon must defray their own Hotel expenses at Singapore while awaiting the on carrying steamer.
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Round Trip Tickets will be issued from Hongkong to Fochow (Fagooa Anchorage) and Return by the same Steamer by the "HAI-NING" "HAIHONG" and "HAICHING" at the Reduced Rate of \$80.00 including Meals while the Steamer is in Port.

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General Managers.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

AMOY & SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 20th April	6 a.m.
AMOY & SINGAPORE	"ANHUI"	On 20th April	6 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 21st April	4 p.m.
HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	"TAMING"	On 23rd April	10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"LUCHOW"	On 22nd April	4 p.m.
BANGKOK	"KWEIYANG"	On 24th April	4 p.m.
WEIHAWEI CHEFQO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 30th April	4 p.m.

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STEAMER	Due HONGKONG ON OR ABOUT	Sailing HENCE ON OR ABOUT
CHANGTE	In Port	23rd April, Noon
TAIPING	18th May	25th May
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TAIPING	17th July	23rd July

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S.S. "FIUME-LI" ... Sails 12th May
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S.S. "LANGTON HALL"	... via Suez Canal ...	23rd Apr.
S.S. "DIOMED"	... via Suez Canal ...	7th May
S.S. "ATREUS"	... via Suez Canal ...	21st May
S.S. "NINGOROW"	... via Suez Canal ...	4th June

Steamers proceed via Suez Canal or Panama Canal at Owners' option.
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POST OFFICE NOTICE

INWARD MAILS.

FROM	PER	DATE
SHANGHAI and EUROPE via SIBERIA	Kailan	19th April
SHANGHAI	Houng	19th April
SHANGHAI	Luchow	19th April
SHANGHAI and EUROPE via SIBERIA	Empress of Asia	21st April
CANADA, U.S.A., JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. McKinley	21st April
MANILA	Pres. Pierce	23rd April
AUSTRALIA & MANILA	Pres. Pierce	23rd April
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. Hayes	25th April
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. Hayes	25th April
MANILA	Empress of Asia	27th April
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. Taft	29th April

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR	PER	DATE
Saigon	Wong Shai Kung	Monday, 19th, 9:31 A.M.
Japan	Polyphonus	10:30 A.M.
Saigon	Telmachus	2:30 P.M.
Amoy	Typhoon	3:30 P.M.
Amoy	Chenai	5:00 P.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 19th May	Kailan	Parcels Reg. 20th, 10:30 A.M.
Shanghai, Japan & EUROPE via Siberia (letters & postcards specially superscribed "via Siberia" only)	Kailan	Parcels Reg. 20th, 10:30 A.M.
Amoy & Foochow	Hai Ching	12:30 P.M.
Bangkok	Teaser	2:30 P.M.
Straits	Wong	5:00 P.M.
Amoy	Wong	5:00 P.M.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 3rd May	Shiyo Maru	Wednesday, 21st, 8:45 A.M.
Shanghai, Japan & Honolulu	Shiyo Maru	Wednesday, 21st, 10:30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kailan	Thursday, 22nd, 8:30 A.M.
Holbow and Harphong	Telmachus	8:30 A.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 11th May	Pres. McKinley	Parcels Reg. 24th, 2:45 P.M.
Japan & Honolulu	Amoy Maru	Parcels Reg. 24th, 3:30 P.M.
Manila	Empress of Asia	3:30 P.M.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Is., 5th May	Chang	Friday, 23rd, 9:00 A.M.
Japan	Mishima Maru	Friday, 23rd, 9:45 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 23rd May	Hakusan Maru	Saturday, 24th, 9:45 A.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & EUROPE via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 19th May, and EUROPE via Siberia (letters & postcards specially superscribed "via Siberia" only)	Pres. Pierce	Parcels Reg. 24th, 2:45 P.M.
Bangkok	Kwaiyang	Monday, 26th, 2:30 P.M.
Manila	Pres. Jefferson	Monday, 26th, 3:30 P.M.
Japan	Pres. Hayes	Monday, 26th, 5:00 P.M.
Manila	Pres. Hayes	Monday, 26th, 5:00 P.M.
Japan	Sui Sun	Tuesday, 27th, 10:30 A.M.
Shanghai	Tingmin	Wednesday, 28th, 10:30 A.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & EUROPE via VANCOUVER, B.C.—due Vancouver, B.C., 17th May	Empress of Asia	Friday, 30th, 9:00 A.M.
Straits and Calcutta	Kailan	Parcels Reg. 30th, 10:00 A.M.
Manila	Pres. Taft	Parcels Reg. 30th, 1:00 P.M.

* Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

COMMERCIAL

OPENING QUOTATIONS.

April 17th, 1926.	
ON LONDON.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	2 1/4
Bank Bills, on demand	2 3/4
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	2 3/4
Bank Bills, at 6 months sight	2 3/4
Credit, at 6 months sight	2 3/4
Documentary Bills, 6 months sight	2 3/4
ON HONGKONG.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	1 5/8
Credit, 4 months sight	1 5/8
ON NEW YORK.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	53 1/2
Credit, at 60 days sight	53 1/2
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	143
Bank Bills, on demand	143
ON CALCUTTA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	143
Bank Bills, on demand	143
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank Bills, at sight	nom.
Private, 30 days sight	nom.
ON YOKOHAMA.—	
On demand	107 1/2
ON MANILA.—	
On demand	134 1/2
ON HONGKONG.—	
On demand	nom.
ON SHANGHAI.—	
On demand	84 1/2
ON HONGKONG.—	
On demand	84 1/2
SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying rate	84.30
Gold Leaf, 100 fine per oz.	294
BAR SILVER, per oz.	294

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Head Office: Hongkong.

Authorized Capital	\$50,000,000
Issued and Fully Paid-up	\$30,000,000
Reserve Funds:	
Sterling	\$4,500,000
Silver	\$27,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors	\$20,000,000

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 Hongkong, April 6th, 1926. [25]

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 INTEREST on Deposits is calculated on the lowest balance during each completed Calendar Month at 3 per cent per annum. Should there be no balance on any day in a month no interest will be allowed for that month.
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 For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
 A. H. BARLOW, Chief Manager.
 Hongkong, 7th January, 1926. [3]

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INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

Paid-up Capital	£3,000,000
Reserve Fund	£24,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors	£23,000,000

Foreign Exchange and General Banking Business transacted.
 CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.
 A. H. FERGUSON, Manager.
 Hongkong, April 16th, 1926. [30]

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.

Head Office: 96, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

Subscribed Capital	Fr. 75,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital	Fr. 68,400,000.00
Reserve Fund	Fr. 59,687,283.54

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 A. LECOT, Manager.
 Hongkong, 20th March, 1926. [38]



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Reserve Fund	£1,350,000

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 C. L. C. SANDER, Manager.
 7, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, March 28th, 1926. [39]

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(Incorporated in France).

5, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong.

HEAD OFFICE: 74, Rue St. Lazare, Paris.

Capital	Fr. 20,000,000
Reserves	Fr. 11,160,000
Special Working Capital	Fr. 50,000,000

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 A. ROLLIN, Manager.
 Hongkong, 2nd December, 1925.

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Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Capital Subscribed	Yen 45,000,000
Capital (Paid-up)	Yen 39,375,000

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 T. TAKAGI, Manager.
 HONGKONG BRANCH, 3, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hongkong, 1st Decemb. 1925. [27]

THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

Established 1812.

Authorized Capital	£1,200,000
PAID UP CAPITAL	£1,062,900
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PAID-UP CAPITAL	19,760,200.00
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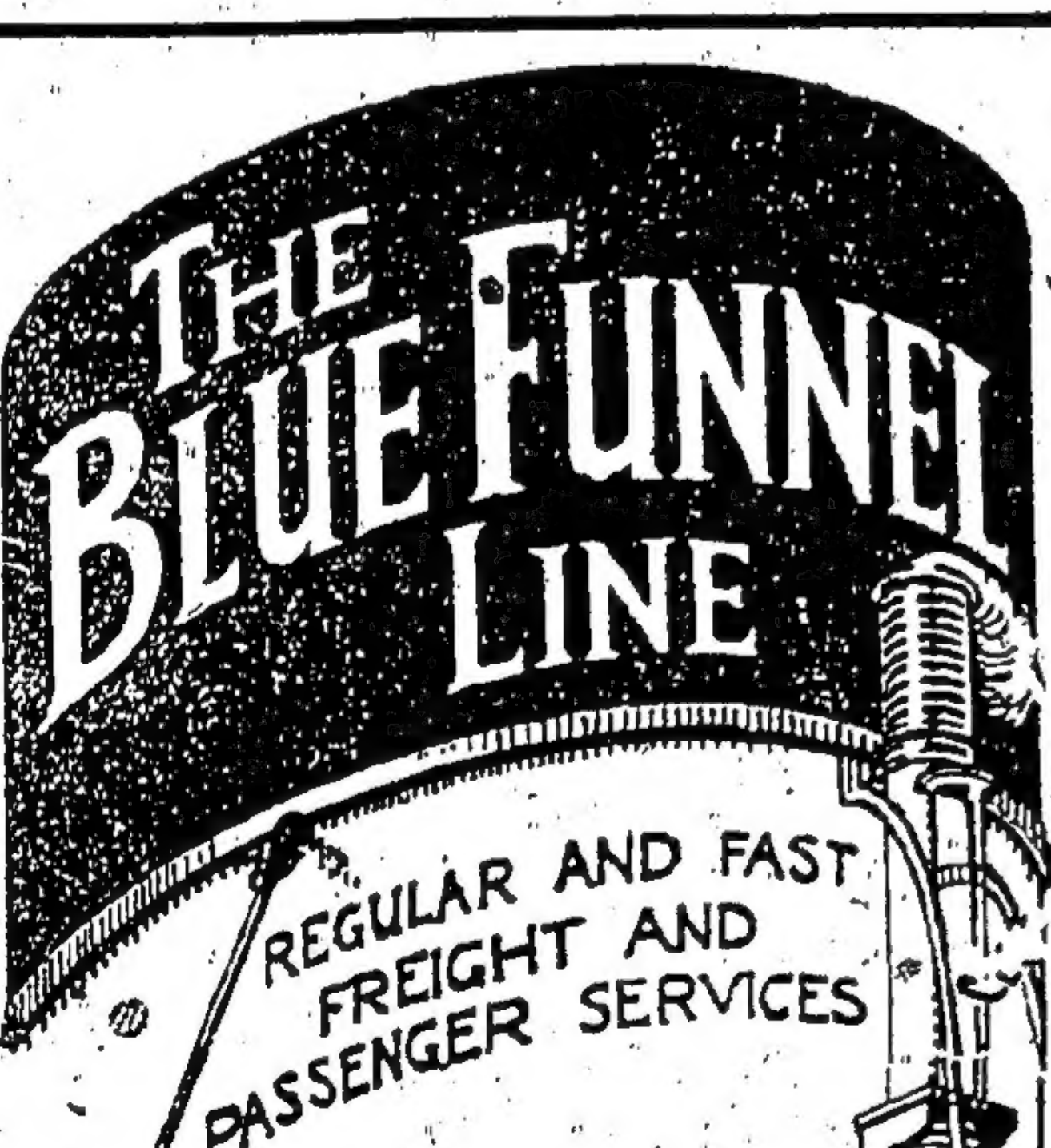
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 Special facilities for domestic exchange.
 TSUYEE PEI, Manager.
 Hongkong, January 18th, 1926. [33]

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 Authorized Capital: Guilders 150,000,000 (212,500,000)
Paid-up Capital	90,000,000 (23,868,570)
Reserve Fund	50,539,561 (21,711,405)
Special Reserves	22,630,000 (21,828,330)

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 "HECTOR" 14th July Singapore, Marseilles & London.
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